

LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WATER POLLUTION) ACTS 1977 AND 1990

Application for licence to discharge trade effluent or other matter (other than domestic sewage or storm water) to a sewer.

NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF APPLICANTS.

1. GENERAL

Under the Local Government (Water Pollution) Acts 1977 and 1990, a licence is required for the discharge of any trade effluent (see definition below) or other matter (other than domestic sewage or storm water) to a sewer. It is an offence to make any such discharge to a sewer except under and in accordance with a licence.

The licensing system applies to all existing discharges as well as new ones.

2. WHO TO APPLY TO

The application should be made to the Council in which the sewer is vested or by which it is controlled. In other words, if the sewer is vested in or controlled by Limerick County Council, application should be made to the **Director of Environment & Emergency Services, Limerick County Council, County Hall, Dooradoyle, Co. Limerick.**

3. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

A LICENCE APPLICATION SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FOLLOWING: -

- (a) A completed Application Form. (The form must be completed fully and accurately).
 - (b) Three copies of plans and such other particulars as are necessary to describe the premises, drainage system and any works, apparatus or plant from which the effluent or other matter is to be discharged. Point of discharge should be shown on 1/2500 Ordnance Survey Map
 - (c) €380.00 application fee. The statutory two month period for consideration of your licence application does not commence until a full application, including fee is received by Limerick County Council.
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- (a) **“Trade Effluent”** means effluent from any works, apparatus, plant or drainage pipe used for the disposal to waters or to a sewer of any liquid (whether treated or untreated) either with or without particles of matter in suspension therein, which is discharged from premises used for carrying on any trade or industry (including mining), but does not include domestic sewage or storm water.
 - (b) “Trade” includes agriculture, aquaculture, horticulture and any scientific research or experiment.

In completing your application form you should refer to the Local Government (Water Pollution) Regulations, 1978 & 1992, copies of which are available from the Government Publications Office, Sun Alliance House, Molesworth St., Dublin 2.

5. EXEMPTED DISCHARGES

A licence is not required for the discharge to a sewer of domestic sewage or storm water.

6. LEGAL

These notes are for guidance only and do not purport to be a legal interpretation of the provisions concerned.

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(BLOCK CAPITALS)

1. (a) Name and Address of Applicant: _____

- (b) Name and Address of Agent: _____

- (c) Telephone No. of Agent: _____ Tel. No. of Applicant: _____
Planning Ref. No. _____
2. Name and Address of the premises from which the effluent or other matter is to be discharged:

I hereby make application for a licence, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Water Pollution) Act, 1977 as amended and inserted by Section 12 of the Local Government (Water Pollution)(Amendment) Act 1990, to discharge trade effluent in accordance with the terms and other particulars afforded.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Note: If the application relates to matter other than trade effluent, please give description of the other matter:

3. If the effluent is a trade effluent, give a general description of the process or activities giving rise to the discharge:

4. (a) Location of point of discharge to sewer (to be shown on a 1/2500 Ordnance Survey Map):

- (b) Details of size and type of discharge pipe: _____

Plans, in triplicate indicating the premises, drainage system and any works, apparatus or plant from which the effluent or other matter is to be discharged must accompany this application form.

5. Details of provision made for sampling and measuring flow of effluent:

6. Particulars of any other discharges from the premises in question:

7. Details of any special arrangements to prevent accidental discharges:

8. GENERAL

- (a) Date of commencement of discharge: _____

- (b) Trade Effluent:

Volume of effluent to be discharged,

- (i) Normal per day: _____

- (ii) Maximum in any one day: _____

- (iii) Maximum rate per hour: _____

- (iv) The period or periods of the day in which the discharge is to take place

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- (v) Any seasonal, or other variations (including any arising from plant malfunction), in volumes of effluent to be discharged:
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- (c) Particulars of effluent treatment:
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9. Characteristics of Trade Effluent.

Complete for all applicable characteristics giving concentration ranges where available.
Concentration to be expressed in mg/l where applicable.

The following list is meant to be indicative only – such other physical, chemical or other characteristics as are pertinent to the effluent in question should be specified.

CHARACTERISTIC	PRIOR TO TREATMENT	AS DISCHARGED
Temperature °C		
pH		
Colour (degrees hazen)		
B.O.D.		
C.O.D.		
Suspended Solids		
Settleable Solids (ml/l)		
Dissolved Solids		

CHARACTERISTIC (contd.)	PRIOR TO TREATMENT (contd.)	AS DISCHARGED (contd.)
Ammonia (as N)		
Nitrates (as N)		
Phosphorus (as P)		
Total Phosphorus (as P)		
Sulphates (as SO ₄)		
Chlorides (as CL)		
Phenols (as C ₆ H ₅ OH)		
Detergents (as Laurylsulphate)		
Oils, Grease and Fats		
Metals – (Specify each)		
(a)		
(b)		
(c)		
Organohalogen compounds (specify)		
Organophosphorous compounds (specify)		
Organotin compounds (specify)		
Mineral oils or Hydrocarbons of petroleum origin		
Other toxic substances (specify)		
Other relevant characteristics including fish toxicity data from tests carried out on all or part of the effluent		