

Waste Control System Approvals



Waste Control System assessment and approval forms part of the Development Application process and approval must be obtained before Council can give full Development Approval.

Council has adopted a policy regarding the approval of Waste Control Systems within the Council area.

The policy is as follows:

1. A Waste Control System Application shall be submitted with:
 - Completed application form
 - Relevant fees paid
 - Percolation test result for the site from a qualified person (usually an Engineer or Hydrologist). The percolation test must indicate the soakage rate of the soil.
 - Specifications and details for the type of system to be installed and the required soakage area. This assessment must be undertaken by a qualified person (usually an Engineer, or a person accredited by the South Australian Health Commission).
 - Site layout plan (refer figure 1).
 - Building layout plan (refer figure 2).
2. On completion of the installation of the Waste Control System the following details will be required prior to use of the building:
 - A certificate from an independent technical expert (as described by Regulations or accredited by the South Australian Health Commission) certifying that the Waste Control System has been inspected and tested. The certificate will cover under floor plumbing and installation of the Waste Control System in accordance with the prescribed documents.
3. Should Council have to inspect a Waste Control System, an inspection fee will be charged to the applicant per inspection. There may be several inspections required to be carried out.

For further information please contact Council's Environmental Health Unit on 8372 8888 during normal office hours.

The above information is advisory and a guide only to give you a general understanding of the key points associated with the approval system. It is recommended that you seek professional advice or contact the City of Mitcham, Environmental Health Department regarding any specific enquiries or for further assistance concerning the use and development of land. Being properly prepared can save you time and money in the long run.

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Figure 1: Typical Site Layout Plan

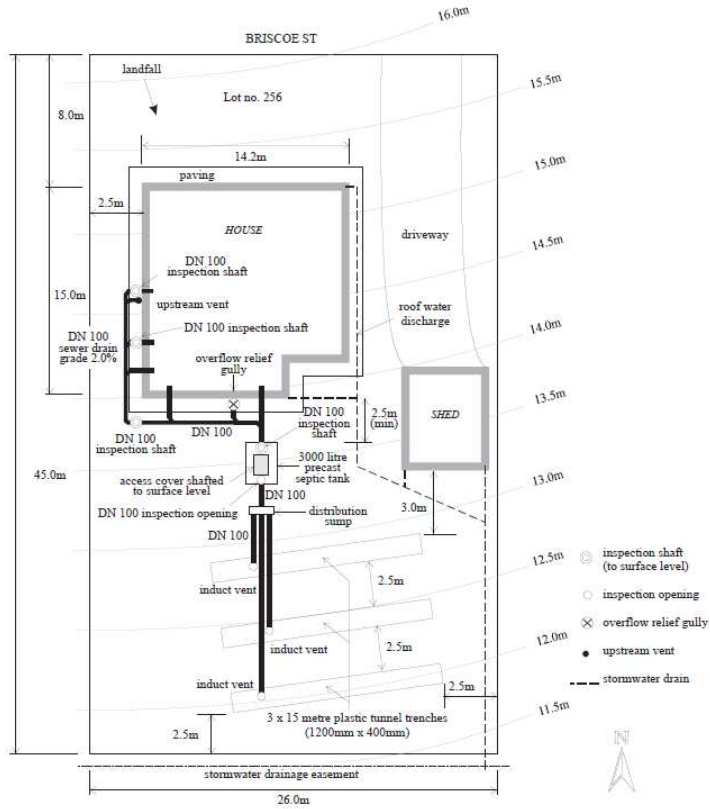
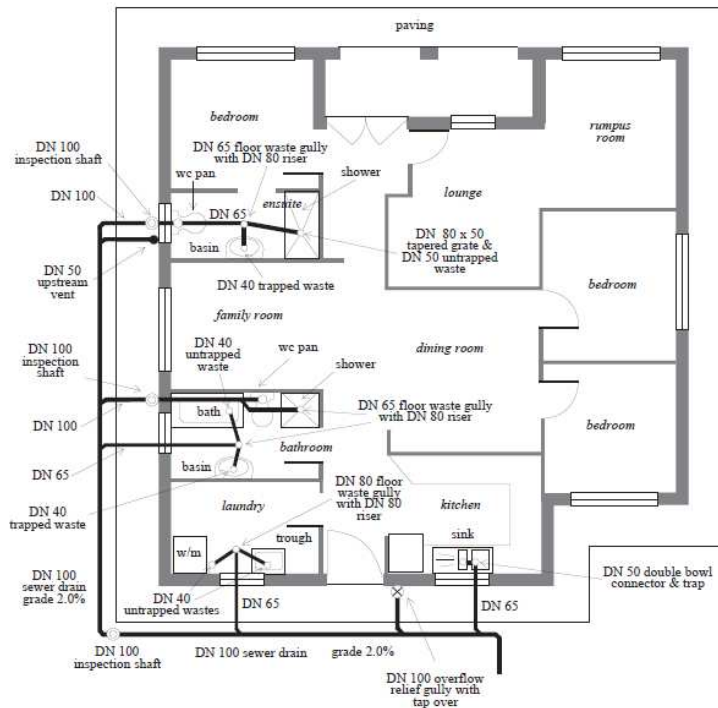


Figure 2: Building Layout Plan



Further information can be obtained from the South Australian Health Commission Code – Waste Control Systems – Standard for the Construction, Installation and Operation of Septic Tank Systems in South Australia.