



# Amendment Report

**Licence Number** L6806/1997/8

**Licence Holder** Shire of Ashburton

**File Number:** DER2014/000525-1

**Premises** Paraburdoo Waste Disposal Site  
120 Beasley Road PARABURDOO WA 6754  
Being Lot 35 on Plan 241590

**Date of Report** 20 September 2019

# 1. Definitions and interpretation

## Definitions

In this Amendment Report, the terms in Table 1 have the meanings defined.

**Table 1: Definitions**

Term	Definition
Amendment Report	refers to this document
Category/ Categories/ Cat.	categories of Prescribed Premises as set out in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations
CEO	means Chief Executive Officer. CEO for the purposes of notification means:  Director General Department Administering the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> Locked Bag 10 JOONDALUP DC WA 6919 <a href="mailto:info@dwer.wa.gov.au">info@dwer.wa.gov.au</a>
Delegated Officer	an officer under section 20 of the EP Act
Department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> and designated as responsible for the administration of Part V, Division 3 of the EP Act.
DWER	Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
EP Act	<i>Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)</i>
EP Regulations	<i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (WA)</i>
Existing Licence	The Licence issued under Part V, Division 3 of the EP Act and in force prior to the commencement of and during this Review
Licensee or Licence Holder	Shire of Ashburton
Minister	the Minister responsible for the EP Act and associated regulations
Occupier	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
Prescribed	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.

Term	Definition
Premises	
Premises	refers to the premises to which this Amendment Report applies, as specified at the front of this Amendment Report.
Revised Licence	the amended Licence issued under Part V, Division 3 of the EP Act, with changes that correspond to the assessment outlined in this Amendment Report.

## 2. Amendment Description

The following guidance statements have informed the assessment and decision outlined in this Amendment Report.

- *Guidance Statement: Regulatory Principles (July 2015)*
- *Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions (October 2015)*
- *Guidance Statement: Licence Duration (August 2016)*
- *Guidance Statement: Decision Making (February 2017)*
- *Guidance Statement: Risk Assessment (February 2017)*
- *Guidance Statement: Environmental Siting (November 2016)*

### 2.1. Purpose and scope of assessment

The Licence Holder submitted an application to amend Existing Licence L6806/1997/8 to DWER on 19 June 2019. The application related to the deletion or amendment of conditions pertaining to the provision of firefighting equipment and the containment and collection of fire debris and wash waters. The applicant has advised that the conditions relating to tyre stockpiles and firefighting measures are no longer required following changes to the operation of the site, namely the cessation of tyre stockpiling and the burning of greenwaste. The Licence Holder has also confirmed that category number 57 is no longer required and should be removed.

Historically, stockpiles of used tyres were stored on the Premises. These stockpiles presented a significant fire risk, and the licence contained a condition requiring that the Licence Holder shall ensure firefighting equipment stored onsite is capable of controlling and extinguishing a tyre fire. The Licence Holder has now removed these large stockpiles from the Premises, and no longer receives and stockpiles tyres onsite. Furthermore, the Licence Holder has advised that the burning of greenwaste is no longer conducted onsite.

The Licence Holder has also requested the amendment of conditions pertaining to the collection and removal of fire debris and wash waters from unplanned fire events. The conditions on the Existing Licence were not practicable given the nature of this waste. The wording of these conditions have been amended to facilitate compliance.

Table 2 below outlines the proposed changes to the Licence.

**Table 2: Proposed design changes**

Category	Current design capacity	Proposed design capacity	Description of proposed amendment
57	5,000 tyres	Less than 100	Deletion of Premises category 57

## 3. Amendment history

Table 4 provides the amendment history for Licence L6806/1997/8.

**Table 3: Licence amendments**

Instrument	Issued	Amendment
L6806/1997/1	05/07/2000	Licence re-issue

L6806/1997/2	02/07/2001	Licence re-issue
L6806/1997/3	12/06/2002	Licence re-issue
L6806/1997/4	12/06/2003	Licence re-issue
L6806/1997/5	12/06/2004	Licence re-issue
L6806/1997/6	12/06/2005	Licence re-issue
L6806/1997/7	12/06/2009	Licence re-issue
L6806/1997/8	05/06/2014	Licence re-issue to REFIRE format
L6806/1997/8	29/04/2016	Licence amendment to extend expiry date by notice as part of a state-wide project
L6806/1997/8	20/09/2019	Licence amendment to remove conditions pertaining to firefighting requirements, tyre storage and the burning of greenwaste, and the amendment of conditions relating to the containment and removal of fire debris and wash waters.

## 4. Conclusion

The Delegated Officer considers the cessation of tyre storage and greenwaste burning onsite will reduce the risk profile of the Premises in relation to potential impacts from smoke in the event of a fire and has therefore decided that a detailed risk assessment is not required.

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that a Licence amendment will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements. Redundant conditions have been removed from the Revised Licence, and several conditions amended to better reflect the operation of the Premises as outlined in Table 10 below.

### 4.1. Summary of amendments

Table 10 provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the Revised Licence as part of the amendment process.

**Table 10: Licence amendments**

Condition No.	Proposed amendments
-	Premises category 57 removed
1.3.1	Table 1.3.1 amended to include controlled waste codes.
1.3.3	Amended Table 1.3.2 to reflect new process limits for tyres and greenwaste
1.3.10	Amended wording
1.3.11	Amended wording

1.3.12	Amended wording
1.3.13	Deleted - Now condition 1.3.10
1.3.14	Deleted
1.3.15	Deleted
1.3.16	Deleted
1.3.17	Deleted
5.2.1	Table 5.2.1 amended
5.3.1	Table 5.3.1 amended to reflect changes to conditions.

Stephen Checker  
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## Appendix 1: Key documents

	Document title	Availability
1	Licence L6806/1997/8 – Paraburdoo Waste Disposal Site	accessed at <a href="http://www.dwer.wa.gov.au">www.dwer.wa.gov.au</a>
2	DER, July 2015. <i>Guidance Statement: Regulatory principles</i> . Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	
3	DER, October 2015. <i>Guidance Statement: Setting conditions</i> . Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	
4	DER, August 2016. <i>Guidance Statement: Licence duration</i> . Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	
5	DER, February 2017. <i>Guidance Statement: Risk Assessments</i> . Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	
6	DER, November 2019. <i>Guidance Statement: Decision Making</i> . Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	
7	DWER, June 2019. <i>Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing</i> . Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, Perth.	

## Appendix 2: Summary of Licence Holder comments

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 16 September 2019 for review and comment. The Licence Holder responded on 20 September 2019 waiving the remaining comment period (until 7 October 2019).