

GREYWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS

Greywater is water from showers, bathtubs, laundry tubs, and washing machines. It represents 50-80% of the wastewater flow from a household and, with proper treatment, it is a great substitute for the precious drinking water in applications that do not require drinking water quality. These uses include water for laundry and toilet flushing, and also irrigation of plants.

Greywater treatment usually consists of:

- Filtration - to remove particles and prevent clogging
- Biological treatment – to break down organic matter
- Disinfection – to reduce the microbial risk of reuse



Greywater treatment system is a suitable option under the Water Resources Development Control Plan (DCP No 2). The high treatment standard of the final product allows for a wide range of uses of the treated effluent, with lower waterway buffer requirements.

The proposed amendments to the DCP No 2 are on public exhibition for community comment. The documents can be found on Council's website here <http://www.norfolkisland.gov.nf/your-council/council-documents/documents-public-exhibition> or hard copies can be obtained from Customer Care.

If you have any questions in the first instance please email your query to planning@nirc.gov.nf or phone 23595 or the Waste & Environment Office on 22609. If you are interested in attending a focus group on the proposed changes please contact pj.wilson@nirc.gov.nf to register your interest.

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