

Minimum Environmental Expectations

SUMMARY

This document outlines the Minimum Environmental Expectations for any operations within any area of Darwin Port or its facilities.

These Minimum Environmental Expectations apply in addition to any activity or company-specific procedures that set out a higher standard or compliance obligation.

KEY PRINCIPLES

Port personnel and all Port Users are required to comply with the Minimum Environmental Expectations contained in this document.

Clarification or communications regarding these Minimum Environmental Expectations are to be directed to the Port Landside Officer, Wharf Manager or the Darwin Port HSE Team in the first instance.

MINIMUM ENVIRONMENTAL EXPECTATIONS

Refer to the table below for detailed Minimum Environmental Expectations and supporting comments / examples:

EXPECTATION	SUPPORTING COMMENT / EXAMPLE
Discharges to water – No discharge of any waste or material to water is to occur, except in accordance with a waste discharge licence or other approval.	Do not hose or wash dirty items or residues into the harbour, ponds or stormwater drains. Use appropriate wash down areas.
Waste – All Port Users must arrange disposal of waste they generate.	Port Users are responsible for providing and using garbage bags, bins, wheelie bins, skip bins or licensed waste contractors (for listed wastes).
Biosecurity – Do not interfere with biosecurity risk material or enter biosecurity areas unless authorised to do so.	Do not enter or interfere with quarantine wash bay, fumigation area, transit shed inspection area and biosecurity waste bins.
Litter – Discarded items and packaging must not be allowed to become litter by being left in open or public spaces.	Remove loose plastic wrap from cargo. Gloves to be placed in bins after use. Food and drink containers not to be left where they can be blown away by the wind.
Flora and Fauna – Protect and don't interfere with native flora and fauna. Report noxious or exotic flora and fauna.	The Migratory Bird protected area (Pond D) must not be disturbed. Weeds are to be sprayed and controlled in all areas of the port.
Dust – Dust and air emissions must be minimised to acceptable levels so that air, land and water is not contaminated, and other Port Users aren't adversely affected.	Use the appropriate dust control i.e. dust extractors, water sprays, etc.
Noise – Noise must be minimised to acceptable levels so that other port users and external parties aren't adversely affected.	In accordance with NTEPA Noise Guidelines.
Oil or Chemical Spill – Port Users must have suitable quantity of oil spill cleanup equipment on site for the risk of their activity. All spills must be cleaned up and reported to Darwin Port.	Carry suitably sized spill kits in vehicles or have onsite.
Storage of liquids – Liquids to be stored in secondary containment (e.g. bunded area). This does not apply to liquids being stored temporarily while being transported.	Use bunded pallets (for drums), bunded areas, self-bunded tanks, temporary bunds, etc as secondary containment.

NON-CONFORMANCE

Darwin Port personnel or Port User observed non-conformance with Minimum Environmental Expectations:

- Communicate with the person at the time to make them aware of the non-conformance, if safe to do so;
- Ask the person to address the non-conformance in accordance with expectations;
- Record details of the non-conformance;
- Notify the persons supervisor or manager if possible;
- Supervisor or Manager is to ensure the non-conformance is addressed;
- Supervisor or Manager is to report to Darwin Port HSE Team;
- Repeat non-conformance will warrant an escalated response commensurate to the non-conformance.

EXPECTATIONS FOR ALL PORT USERS

Review this notification at your respective prestart / toolbox / safety meetings and feedback any comments or queries to the Darwin Port HSE Team in the first instance.