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Licence number	DL000300081
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Last amended	-
Expiry date	11 August 2026
Licence holder	RECYCAL PTY LTD
ACN	145386992
Activity site(s)	3/81-85 Heatherdale Road, Ringwood, Victoria, 3134
Prescribed permission activities	A01 (Reportable priority waste management) A02b (Other waste treatment – e-waste >500 tonnes) A13b (Waste and resource recovery - medium)

Issued under section 69(1)(a) of the *Environment Protection Act 2017* (the Act).



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Context

Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA) is Victoria's environmental regulator acting in accordance with the *Environment Protection Act 2017* (the Act). Our regulatory role is to work with community, industry and business to prevent and reduce the harmful effects of pollution and waste on Victoria's environment and people.

Why we issue development licences

A range of development activity types are prescribed in the Environment Protection Regulations 2021 (the Regulations) because they give rise to risks of harm to human health or the environment. We issue development licences so applicants can lawfully undertake prescribed development activities. Section 44 of the Act provides that a person must not engage in a prescribed development activity except as authorised by a development licence in respect of that activity.

When we issue development licences

EPA can issue a development licence under section 69(1) of the Act. When issuing a development licence, EPA takes into account a number of factors, including the measures an applicant has taken or proposes to take in order to comply with the Act when engaging in the prescribed permission activity.

EPA can amend, suspend or revoke a licence for a range of reasons. This can include in response to changes in activities, risks or licence holder performance. All development licence details are publicly accessible via the EPA Public Register.

Key information and obligations

Interpretation

For the purposes of this development licence "You" means the "licence holder" identified on the first page. Unless a contrary intention appears, words or terms used in the conditions of your licence have the same meaning as in the Act, and in any regulations made pursuant to the Act.

Compliance

Your licence is subject to conditions. These conditions confer legal obligations on you as the licence holder. Some of these are general in nature, while others require you to do (or not to do) specific things. The requirements of these conditions do not detract from each other in any way, nor do they affect any other duties or obligations with which you are required to comply by law. You must fulfil all duties and perform all obligations set out in this licence or otherwise required by law.

Strict penalties apply for non-compliance with any part of your development licence.

You must comply with the Act and regulations administered by EPA. This includes, but is not limited to, compliance with the general environmental duty (GED).

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Duties under the Act

Under the Act, you have legal obligations in relation to your prescribed and non-prescribed activities. These legal obligations exist to minimise risks of harm to human health and the environment from pollution and waste.

You may be committing an offence and be liable to a penalty under the Act if your actions or omissions constitute a breach of these legal obligations.

General environmental duty

The Act places the onus on you to understand the risks associated with your operation or activity and requires you to minimise the risk of harm. This is called the general environmental duty (GED).

Sections 6 and 25 of the Act provide the legal basis for the GED. These sections state that a person engaging in an activity which may give rise to risks of harm to human health or the environment from pollution or waste must eliminate or minimise those risks, as far as reasonably practicable.

Duty to notify EPA of notifiable incidents

A notifiable incident is a pollution incident that causes or threatens to cause material harm to human health or the environment or is a prescribed notifiable incident. Under section 32 of the Act, you have an obligation to notify EPA of a notifiable incident as soon as practicable after you become aware of the incident.

Duty to take action to respond to harm caused by pollution incident

Under section 31 of the Act, if a pollution incident has occurred as a result of an activity (whether by act or omission) and the pollution incident causes or is likely to cause harm to human health or the environment, a person who is engaging in that activity must, so far as reasonably practicable, restore the affected area to the state it was in before the pollution incident occurred.

Duty to notify of contaminated land

Under section 40(1) of the Act, a person in management or control of land must notify EPA if the land has been contaminated by notifiable contamination as soon as practicable after the person becomes aware of the notifiable contamination.

Notifiable contamination means contamination which is prescribed in the Regulations, or contamination for which the cost of action to remediate the land is likely to exceed \$50,000, or any other prescribed amount.

Duties relating to industrial waste, priority wastes and reportable priority wastes

Under parts 6.4 and 6.5 of the Act, a person has obligations in relation to the generation, receiving, recording, managing, transporting, and disposal of industrial, priority wastes and reportable priority wastes. These duties include:

- Duties of persons depositing industrial waste.

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- Duties of persons receiving industrial waste.
- Duty of persons involved in transporting industrial waste.
- Duties of persons managing priority waste.
- Duty to investigate alternatives to waste disposal.
- Duty to notify of transaction in reportable priority waste.
- Duty of persons transporting reportable priority waste.

For further information on waste classifications see schedule 5 of the Regulations.

Further information and resources

To aid compliance with the Act and the Regulations, Environment Reference Standards (ERS), Compliance Codes, Position Statements and Guidelines have been developed to address a range of environmental objectives, permitted and non-permitted activities and risks.

You should understand how the Victorian environment protection framework applies to you and your activity, operation or business by making yourself familiar with the Act, Regulations, Compliance Codes and other relevant guidance material.

To assist you with understanding your obligations refer to www.epa.vic.gov.au.

Amendment

You can apply at any time to EPA for an amendment to your licence under section 57 of the Act. EPA may also decide to amend a licence under its own initiative according to section 58 of the Act.

Transfer

A person may apply to EPA for the transfer of this licence to a new licence holder pursuant to section 56 of the Act.

Duration of licence and renewal

This development licence is subject to the expiry date identified on the first page of this licence. It will remain in force until that time unless it is first surrendered by the licence holder (with consent from EPA), or it is suspended or revoked by EPA. EPA may decide to extend the term of the licence under section 72 of the Act. Note that an application for a development licence renewal must be submitted to EPA before the licence expiry date.

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Development licence structure

Your development licence has multiple parts:

- Conditions
- Appendix 1 – locality plan
- Appendix 2 – activity plan
- Appendix 3 – contour plan
- Appendix 4 – waste acceptance table
- Appendix 5 – air discharge table
- Appendix 6 – water discharge table
- Appendix 7 – landfill cell table

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Conditions

General conditions

DL_G01	<p>A copy of this licence must be kept at the site and be easily accessible to persons who are engaging in an activity conducted at the site. Information regarding the requirements of the licence and the Act duties must be included in site induction and training information.</p>
DL_G02	<p>The development of the proposed facility must be conducted in accordance with the listed approved plans and documents: .</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Development licence Application Report, Recycal Ringwood, dated: 4/09/20252) Appendix A- Recycal Planning Permit, dated: 16/06/20103) Appendix B- Recycal GHC Emissions Calculations4) Appendix C- Recycal Stormwater Monitoring Program, 81-85 Heatherdale Road, Ringwood, VIC5) Appendix D- Stormwater Management Plan- Recycal Ringwood dated: 26/05/20256) Appendix E- Environmental Noise Assessment- Recycal Ringwood, dated: 18/06/20257) Appendix F- Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment- Recycal, dated: 2/09/20258) Appendix G- Emergency Management Plan- Recycal, dated: 27/07/20219) Appendix H- Risk Management and Monitoring Program- Recycal Ringwood, dated: 13/08/202510) Appendix I- Standard Operating Procedure- Recycal11) Appendix J- Storage Management Plan- Recycal Ringwood, dated: 20/08/202512) Appendix K- Classification of Lead-Acid-Batteries, Victorian Government Gazette, dated: 4/03/202313) Appendix L- HumeCeptor system technical manual, issue 514) Appendix M- Emergency Information Book- Recycal15) Appendix N- Decommissioning Plan- Recycal Ringwood, dated: 13/08/202516) RECYCAL -RFI- APP015231- WASTE STREAMS17) Emails received from Recycal to EPA on 7/11/2025 and 18/11/2025. In the event of any inconsistency between the approved documents and the conditions of this permission, the conditions of this permission shall prevail.
DL_G03	<p>Subject to the following conditions, this development licence allows you to: commission the proposed facility under the conditions of this licence in accordance with application (APP015231) and supporting information listed in DL_G02.</p>
DL_G04	<p>This permission does not take effect until a copy of any planning permit or amendment to a planning scheme required under the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (Vic) and related planning schemes has been provided to the Authority by the applicant.</p>
DL_G05	<p>This permission expires:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) on the issue or amendment of an operating licence or permit relating to all activities

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- covered by this permission;
- (b) when the Authority advises in writing that all activities covered by this permission have been satisfactorily completed and the issue or amendment of an operating licence or permit is not required; or
- c) on the expiry date listed on the front page of this permission.

- DL_G07
- You must:
- (a) develop and maintain a decommissioning plan that is in accordance with the current decommissioning guidelines published by the Authority;
 - (b) provide the decommissioning plan to the Authority upon request;
 - (c) supply to the Authority an updated detailed decommissioning plan 45 business days prior business days prior to commencement of decommissioning, if you propose to divest a section of the licensed site, cease part or all of the licensed activity or reduce the basis upon which the licence was granted to a point where licensing is no longer required; and
 - (d) decommission the licensed site in accordance with the detailed decommissioning plan, to the satisfaction of the Authority and within any reasonable timeframe which may be specified by the Authority.

Standard conditions

- DL_C01
- Commissioning activities must be undertaken in accordance with the commissioning plan approved by the Authority.
- DL_C02
- You must immediately notify the Authority by calling 1300 EPA VIC (1300 372 842) in the event of:
- a) A discharge, emission or deposit which gives rise to, or may give rise to, actual or potential harm to human health or the environment;
 - b) A malfunction, breakdown or failure of risk control measures at the site which could reasonably be expected to give rise to actual or potential harm to human health or the environment; or
 - c) Any breach of the licence.
- DL_C05
1. You must develop a risk management and monitoring program for your activities which:
- (a) identifies all the risks of harm to human health and the environment which may arise from the activities you are engaging in at your activity site;
 - (b) clearly defines your environmental performance objectives;
 - (c) clearly defines your risk control performance objectives;
 - (d) describes how the environmental and risk control performance objectives are being achieved;
 - (e) identifies and describes how you will continue to eliminate or minimise the risks in 1(a) (above) so far as reasonably practicable; and

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(f) describes how the information collated in compliance with this clause, is or will be disseminated, used or otherwise considered by you or any other entity.

2. The risk management and monitoring program must be:

(a) documented in writing;

(b) signed by a duly authorised officer of the licensed entity

(c) made available to the Authority on request.

Within 60 days of the completion of the approved activities, you must provide to EPA a written report that summarises the activities undertaken and includes:

(a) A summary report demonstrating that all requirements of condition DL_W08 have been met.

(b) A Proof of Performance report (PoPR) prepared by a suitably qualified person acting in an independent verification capacity to analyse results/assessments undertaken as per condition DL_R01.

(c) Air Quality Impact Assessment completed by a suitably qualified person that:

i) Responds to findings of Air Quality Monitoring Plan as per PoPR; and

ii) Details any mitigation measures to reduce air emissions so far as reasonably practicable, as per EPA Publication 'Guideline for assessing and minimising air pollution in Victoria' (1961.2).

(d) A Noise Management Plan completed by a suitably qualified person that:

i) Responds to findings of Noise Monitoring Plan as per PoPR; and

ii) Details any additional mitigation measure to be implemented to ensure no tonal, impulsive or intermittent noise character is audible within noise sensitive areas surrounding the premises and no low frequency noise or sporadic loud noise that has the potential to be unreasonable is emitted from the facilities.

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(e) Updated Stormwater Management Plan completed by a suitably qualified person that:

i) Responds to findings of Stormwater Performance Monitoring Program as per PoPR;

ii) Includes a comprehensive risk assessment (including a risk matrix) for the site stormwater management that categorises risks as high, medium, or low, along with associated consequences and control measures to mitigate identified risks. This risk assessment must:

1. Apply segregation principles to each waste type and assess risks individually,

2. Assess all activities and waste types for potential stormwater contamination risks, and

3. Consider weather conditions from dry to wet;

iii) Contingency for overflow during extreme rainfall events (1:100 year event).

(f) An updated Fire Management Plan (FMP) which includes:

i) Assessment of the fire risk and proposed controls by a fire engineer as per EPA Publication 'Storage and management of waste batteries' (2018); and

ii) A review justifying the appropriate number of drain mat covers for the various fire scenarios nominated in the fire risk register in document 'Appendix F- Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment- Recycal'.

(g) Dust Management Plan for the site prepared by a suitably qualified person.

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Specific conditions

DL_C03	Commissioning must not cause or result in any breach of any permission issued by the Authority for the permission activity, except where authorised by a condition of this licence.
DL_C09	You must not accept or store more than 24,830 tonnes of waste per annum or store more than 3000 tonnes at any one time of wastes at the activity site for the duration of this permission.
DL_C10	You must ensure that: a) Only waste of a type shown in Appendix 4 of this approval is accepted at the activity site; and b) If it is identified that any waste has been received at the activity site that is of a type not shown in Appendix 4 in contravention of paragraph a) above, such waste must be placed in a designated and sign-posted temporary storage area and sent for disposal to a site authorised by the Authority to receive such waste within 21 days of the date it was received.
DL_C11	Wastes accepted at the activity site may only be treated or disposed of in accordance with Appendix 4.
DL_C12	Waste from the activity site must not be discharged or disposed of to the environment except in accordance with this permission and with any other permission issued by the Authority that may relate to the activity site.
DL_G06.02	You must: (a) provide the Authority with a financial assurance in a form and for an amount determined by the Authority, by a date specified by the Authority; and (b) maintain such financial assurance (including any part of such assurance) so that it can be claimed on, utilised or realised by the Authority as and when required.
DL_R01	At least 30 days before the commencement of any commissioning, you must provide to the Authority for approval a Commissioning Plan that include(s): (a) An Air Quality Monitoring Plan completed by a suitably qualified person for the site in line with EPA Publication 'Guideline for assessing and minimising air pollution in Victoria' (1961.2) which includes: i) Identification of all potential air emission points (including controls), ii) Monitoring program for air emission points including building ventilation stacks with testing conducted by a NATA accredited tester/laboratory, and iii) Dispersion modelling in line with EPA Publication 'Guide to air pollution modelling' (1957), to demonstrate compliance with air pollution assessment criteria (APACs). (b) Noise Monitoring Plan prepared by a suitably qualified person which includes: i) Attended noise monitoring, including low frequency noise in line with EPA Publication 'Assessing low frequency noise' (1996), at the nearest sensitive receptors to

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verify compliance with noise limits as per EPA Publication 'Noise limit and assessment protocol' (1826.5) and the absence of any adverse noise characteristics, and

ii) Maintaining of a verifiable log of any activities undertaken at the site outside the approved operating hours. This should be made available for inspection by EPA.

(c) Stormwater Performance Monitoring Program prepared by a suitably qualified person which includes:

i) Design volume calculations for stormwater and design flow rate calculations for Triple Interceptor Traps and Humeceptor to demonstrate sufficient system capacity;

ii) Minimum monthly water quality sampling at the final discharge point for all identified likely stormwater contaminants including PFAS, in accordance with EPA Publication 'Emerging contaminants in wastewater and receiving surface water environments' (5003);

iii) Sampling to include low and medium rainfall events; and

iv) Corrective measures for stormwater contaminant exceedances.

You must install :

(a) Further stormwater treatment system to treat stormwater following filtration by Humeceptor system, capable of treating/removing potential dissolved chemicals/metals and heavy metal particles sized less than 10 microns.

(b) Fire detection systems and/or thermal camera systems to monitor batteries being stored in the main factory building.

(c) Bunding for all chemical storage areas in alignment with EPA Publication 'Liquid storage and handling guidelines' (1698) to prevent chemical runoff contamination of stormwater systems.

You must undertake the following actions:

(a) Batteries must be stored separately from other e-waste and combustible or flammable items.

(b) Update the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to include:

i) Procedures for the handling and storage of batteries including:

- Clear battery sorting process,
- Requirements that battery terminals must not support the weight of other batteries,
- Requirements for all used lead acid batteries (ULABs) to have all vent caps firmly in place prior to strapping and wrapping, and

• Packaging procedure for damaged or defective lithium-ion cells in accordance with 'Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail';

ii) Procedure for managing rejected loads including temporary storage areas until the waste could be lawfully disposed of/sent off the site in line with condition DL_C10;

iii) Procedure for the management and storage of hazardous waste as defined by 'Dangerous Goods Act 1985'; and

iv) Procedure for management of car bodies containing fuel or residual fuel and removal and disposal of fuel and oil from car bodies, ensuring compliance with trade waste agreements.

(c) Prepare a Firewater Containment Plan detailing:

i) The systems and procedures to contain potentially contaminated water generated

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during a firefighting event on the premises to prevent contaminated runoff entering the stormwater system;

ii) Contingency plan for firewater runoff volumes exceeding the capacity of stormwater treatment system;

iii) Contingency measures and treatment options to prevent downstream contamination; and

iv) The locations of drainage points and capacity of holding tanks to contain firewater runoff.

DL_W10

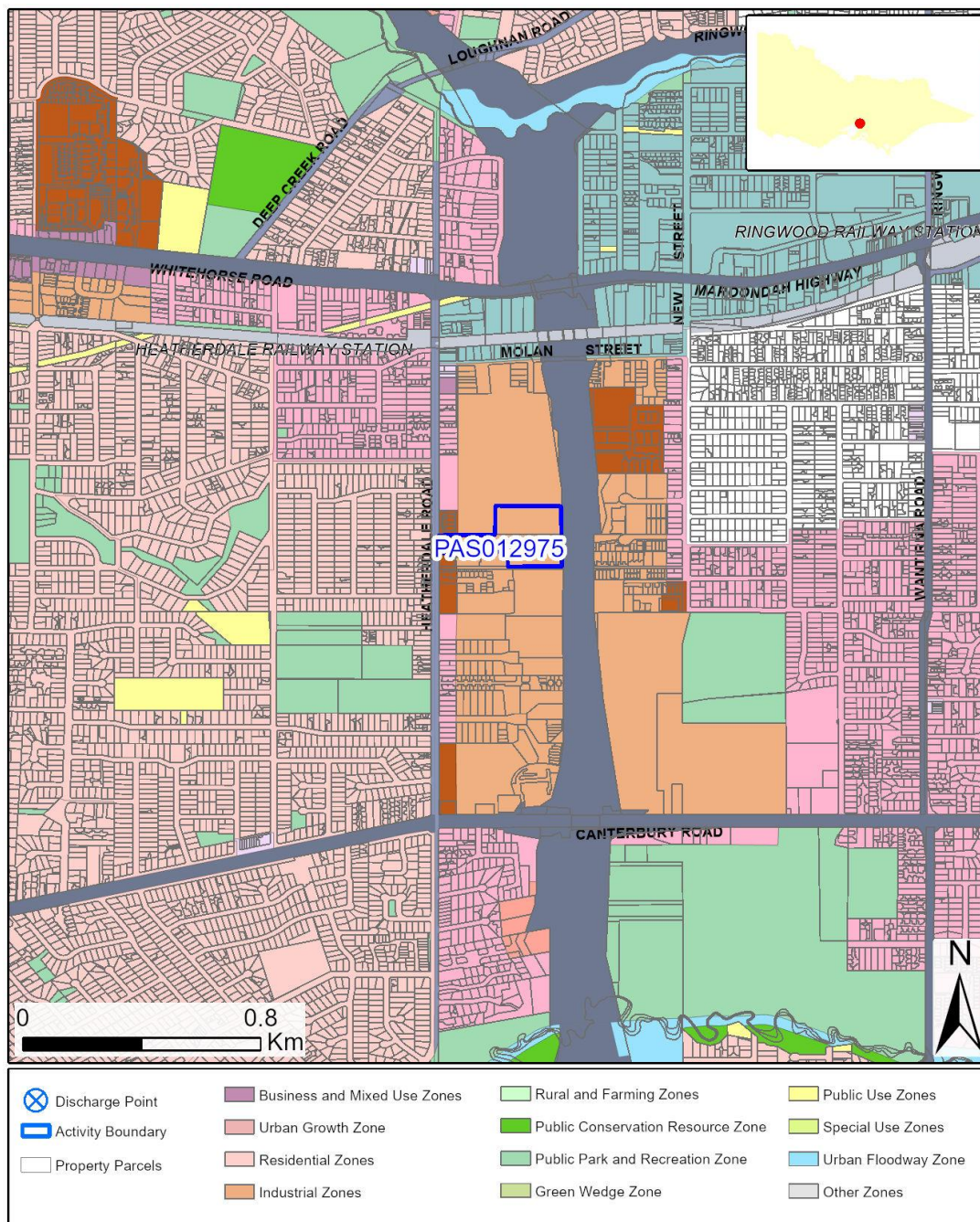
You must implement all liquid storage containment and handling measures in accordance with "Liquid storage and handling guidelines" (EPA Publication 1698, released June 2018).

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – locality plan



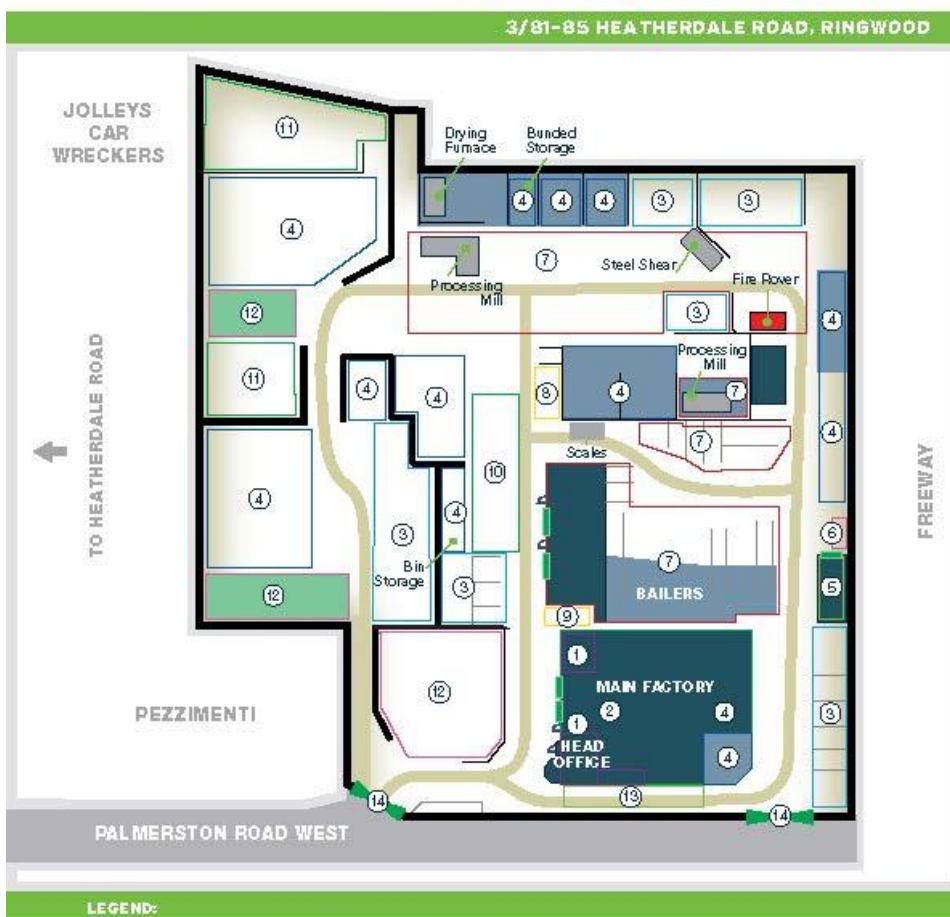
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Appendix 2 – activity plan



PLAN SWM01 SITE LAYOUT PLAN

3/81-85 HEATHERDALE ROAD, RINGWOOD



LEGEND:

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|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| ■ SITE FOOTPRINT | ① SITE OFFICE AND ADMIN BUILDING | ⑥ FIRST AID + TOILETS | ⑪ GRAVEYARD AREA |
| ■ INDOOR FACILITY | ② DOOR TRADE | ⑦ PROCESSING + STORAGE AREA | ⑫ PARKING |
| ■ UNDERCOVER AREA | ③ METAL BAY STORAGE | ⑧ DIESEL PUMP + DG CABINET | ⑬ WEIGHBRIDGE |
| ■ TRUCK PARKING | ④ STORAGE AREA | ⑨ GAS FILLING PUMP | ⑭ ACCESS GATES |
| ■ SCALES | ⑤ WORKSHOP / PROCESSING AREA | ⑩ TRUCK LOADING/UNLOADING | |

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Appendix 3 – contour plan

There is no contour plan for this licence.

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Appendix 4 - waste acceptance table

Waste Code	Waste Description	Treatment Code	Treatment Description
D120	Mercury and mercury compounds	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
D150	Cadmium and cadmium compounds	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
D190	Copper compounds	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
D200	Cobalt and cobalt compounds	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
D210	Nickel compounds	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
D220	Lead and lead based compounds	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
D230	Zinc compounds	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds

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D400	Smelter waste containing hazardous substances	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
J100	Waste oils, hydrocarbons, emulsions and transformer fluids excluding polychlorinated biphenyls	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
J120	Waste oil/water, hydrocarbons/water mixtures or emulsions	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
J170	Used oil filters	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
N100	Rigid steel or plastic containers with an original volume less than 200 litres contaminated with reportable priority waste (transport)	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R14	Recycling/reconditioning/laundrying of steel drums or plastic containers
N105	Rigid steel or plastic containers with an original volume equal to or greater than 200 litres contaminated with reportable priority waste (transport)	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R14	Recycling/reconditioning/laundrying of steel drums or plastic containers
N130	Spent catalysts not otherwise specified in "Schedule 5—Waste Classification" of the Environment Protection Regulations 2021	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
N140	Fire debris and fire wash-waters excluding anything covered under item 79 of "Schedule 5—Waste Classification" of the Environment Protection Regulations 2021	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity

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N190	Filter cake contaminated with residues of hazardous substances	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
N205	Residues from industrial waste treatment/disposal operations, including digestate, bottom ash and char	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
T300	E-waste	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
T325	End-of-life vehicles from different means of transport (including off-road machinery) and wastes from dismantling of end-of-life vehicles and vehicle maintenance	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
Z300	Steel	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
Z310	Aluminium	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds
Z320	Non-ferrous metals, other than Aluminium	R13	Accumulation of material intended for any permissioned activity
		R4	Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds

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Appendix 5 – air discharge table

There are no air discharge points for this licence.

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Appendix 6 – water discharge table

There are no water discharge points for this licence.

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Appendix 7 – landfill cells

There are no landfill cells for this licence.