



9/004 Pre-Cyclone Green Waste Collection

Objective

The objective of this policy is to ensure that residents and business located within the Town of Port Hedland (Town) are adequately prepared for the annual cyclone season by ensuring that the opportunity has been given for all vegetation located on private property to be pruned and disposed.

Content

The Town of Port Hedland will offer residents and businesses located in Port Hedland, Pretty Pool, Cooke Point, Wedgefield, South Hedland, South Hedland Rural Estate, Redbank and Turner River a green waste collection before each cyclone season commences.

The collection will commence in September each year and will be completed by October each year, it will be undertaken by Town of Port Hedland staff or contracted to an external contractor as per the Town's 2/007 Policy Purchasing.

Collection dates and conditions will be advertised at least one month prior to the commencement in the local newspaper, on the local radio, on signage placed in strategic locations around the Town and updates will be given via social media.

The conditions that residents and businesses must follow are as follows:

- No prunings longer than 1.5 metres (5ft);
- Place cut ends toward the street;
- Prunings must not obstruct footpath or shared walkways;
- Prunings must not be placed within 2m of existing infrastructure such as water meters, power boxes, power poles, Telstra pits, letter boxes, fences and driveways to ensure accessibility for bobcats/loaders;
- Loose material such as leaves and other vegetation should be suitably wrapped, tied or placed in bags to prevent litter spread and aid collection;
- Council will not enter private property to collect waste.

The Town will remove a maximum of two cubic meters of green waste per property. This policy provides equitable access and inclusion for people with disabilities by ensuring that green waste is not placed on footpaths or shared paths.

Town staff or any external contractor (that has been contracted to undertake a collection) will not enter private property to collect waste.



Non-compliance with the included conditions will result in the waste material not being collected and possible compliance action in line with the provisions of the Town of Port Hedland Waste Local Laws 2018 and the *Western Australian Litter Act 1979*.

Definitions

“Cyclone season” 1 November through to 30 April.

“Prunings” the selected removal of parts of a plant such as buds, branches, flowers and stumps.

“Litter”

- (a) all kinds of rubbish, refuse, junk, garbage or scrap; and
- (b) any articles or material abandoned or unwanted by the owner or the person in possession thereof, but does not include dust, smoke or other like products emitted or produced during the normal operations of any mining, extractive, primary or manufacturing industry.

Relevant legislation	Emergency Management Act 2005 Litter Act 1979
Delegated authority	Manager infrastructure Operations
Business unit	Infrastructure Operations
Directorate	Infrastructure Services

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