

SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA NEWMAN AIRPORT WATER QUALITY REPORT

July – September 2021

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WATER PROVIDER INFORMATION

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System Information

	Locality									
Zone Name & Number	Number of Consumers	Average Amount of Water Supplied (L/Day)	Sources of Water (% Bore/Surface Catchment)	Treatment Systems	Length of Mains	Number of Sample Points				
(1) Newman Airport	10x Residential Tenants 10x Business Tenants 1x RPT Terminal	12,000	100% Bore	Reverse Osmosis plus chlorination	2.9kms	6				

PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Water Quality Meeting The Drinking Water Guidelines/Minister Of Health's Directions

Microbiological quality	No assessed ¹	Zone 1 ² No Within Guidelines	Variance ³
Thermotolerant Coliforms / E. Coli	15	15	0
Amoeba (Thermophilic <i>Naegleria</i>)	15	0	
Chemical quality ⁴			
Chemical – Health Related⁵	0	0	0
Chemical – Aesthetic ⁶	0	0	0
Radiological	0	0	0

¹ Number of samples taken for the quarter

² Table maybe expanded or collapsed according to the number of zones

³ Number of samples that do not comply with the drinking water guidelines

⁴ Chemical performances based on the results of the quarter

⁵ Chemical tested with a health guideline value

⁶ Chemicals without health guideline values

MICROBIAL PERFORMANCE

	Microbiological Water Quality Exceptions								
Region / Scheme / Zone / Service Provider	Volume Of Water Provided (L/day)	Date	Microbiological Character	Alert Level	Remedial Action	DoH Notified	Close Out Date		
1	12,000	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL		

Microbiological Incident Specific Information

Zone 1

A total of 15 microbiological potable water samples were collected in this quarter of the 2020/21 financial year. Both Thermotolerant Coliforms/*E. Coli* and Amoeba (Thermophilic *Naegleria*) results were within the recommended values for all samples collected and tested over this reporting period.

Microbiological General Information

Micro-organisms (or microbes) are microscopic living organisms, occurring naturally in our environment - in the air, soil and in water bodies. Some are beneficial to life but some can have serious health impacts to humans. Pathogens (pathogenic micro-organisms) are micro-organisms that cause disease or illness. The most common and widespread health risk to people is associated with drinking water contaminated by pathogens.

Organisms associated with faecal matter from humans or other mammals cause several waterborne diseases. It is impossible to test for the presence of all pathogens that may be present in water. The "Australian Drinking Water Guidelines" recommends testing for the presence of *Escherichia coli (E.coli)* as an indicator of faecal pathogen contamination. The "Australian Drinking Water Guidelines" state that *E.coli* should not be present in a minimum 100mL sample of drinking water.

Thermophilic *Naegleria* refers to a group of common water borne amoebae which includes *Naegleria fowleri*, the organism that causes the serious disease primary amoebic meningoencephalitis (PAM). *Naegleria fowleri* is an environmental pathogen which naturally lives in fresh warm water.

The Shire immediately notifies the Department of Health WA of any confirmed detection of *E.coli* or Thermophilic *Naegleria* in any microbiological analysis of a drinking water sample.

The "Australian Drinking Water Guidelines" are available to view at -

https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/about-us/publications/australian-drinking-water-quidelines

CHEMICAL – HEALTH RELATED PERFORMANCE

Chemical – Health Related – Exception Notifications

Health Related Chemical Water Quality Exceptions								
Region/Scheme/Zone/Service Provider	Volume of Water (L/day)	Date	Health Related Chemical Characteristic	Alert Level	Remedial Action	DoH Notified	Close Out Date	
1	12,000	None	None	None	None	None	None	

Chemical – Health Related

No potable water samples were collected for chemical analysis in this quarter.

Chemical – Aesthetic Related

No potable water samples were collected for chemical analysis in this quarter.

CHEMICAL – AESTHETIC PERFORMANCE

Chemical - Aesthetic N/A

Chemical – Health

N/A

Chemical - Aesthetic - Incident Specific Information

N/A

NB: No samples were collected for chemical analysis during this reporting period.

RADIOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE

Radiological – Exception Notifications

	Radiological Water Quality Exceptions									
Zone	Population Served	Date	Radiological Characteristic	Alert Level	Remedial Action	DoH Notified	Close Out Date			
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			

Radiological Performance

Scheme/Service Provider						
Zone	% Samples within Range					
А	NIL					

NB: No samples were collected for radiological analysis during this reporting period.

PLANNED SAMPLE SUMMARY

Zone	N	/licrobiolog	ical		Chemical		R	adiological		Fluoride (If Fluoridating)		
	Planned	Taken	% Taken	Planned	Taken	% Taken	Planned	Taken	% Taken	Planned	Taken	% Taken
1	15	15	100%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
1	15	15	100%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%

Zone	Sampling Point	Due Date	Characteristic (Radiological/Microbiological/Chemical)	Reason for Missed Sample
				NIL

GENERAL NOTES/OTHER NEWS

For any queries or concerns regarding the drinking water supply at the Newman Airport please contact the Shire of East Pilbara on 08 9175 8000.