



**Port Augusta**

CITY COUNCIL  
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

## **BACKFLUSH DETAILS FOR SWIMMING POOLS**

### **Requirements for backflushing your pool in an STED's effluent disposal scheme, or a sewerred or unsewerred area within the jurisdiction or the Port Augusta City Council**

1. Should you have a **salt water chlorinated** swimming pool and the need for backflushing then It will need to be trucked offsite as disposing of this wastewater onto/into the soil will ultimately end up damaging the soil and its structure.
2. If the pool is a **chlorinated pool** and is a non cartridge type and the need to backflush then you will need to have a trench installed of approx 6m x 1.5m in size on your property (or an adequate size to accept the wastewater being disposed of and depending on soil testing by the suitably qualified engineer – and also be based on volumes required) and have the wastewater disposed of through an ORG with the rate of discharge reduced to 4-5 litres per minute.
3. If the pool is located in **a sewerred area** then the person/applicant must consult with SA Water first being the appropriate authority for disposal of the backflush waters.

### **Advice as at November 2013 from SA Water as follows**

Salt water pools are not accepted into any wastewater system around Port Augusta

### **Please refer to details within the attached link or also included on Council website about the SA Water requirements**

[https://www.sawater.com.au/\\_data/assets/file/0016/11428/Swimming-pools.pdf](https://www.sawater.com.au/_data/assets/file/0016/11428/Swimming-pools.pdf)

**Please note** – The above arrangements may have changed for sewerred areas from a SA Waters perspective. These areas are owned and maintained by SA water. You will therefore need to clarify with them on your individual situation. If you are in a sewerred area, Council will also require full details and a letter of approval from SA Water (the relevant Authority) of any backflush arrangement.

### **Before submitting the pool application/details to Council then the applicant must provide all these details as above on the plan before submitting it to Council including setbacks to other site features on the plan.**