



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

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.