

Information Guide - Connection to the City's Drainage Network

PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines and requirements for Developers, the Community and City Development officers for request to connect private properties stormwater runoff overflows to the Council's drainage network.

OBJECTIVE:

To ensure any permitted connections to the Council's drainage network, discharge stormwater at a rate and quality that will not impact on the performance of the Council's drainage network, and will not impact environmentally on the receiving water body.

GUIDELINES:

As outlined in the [Information Guide – Stormwater Disposal from Private, Commercial and Industrial Properties](#), all stormwater runoff is to be managed within the lot boundary, with overland flood routing to the road reserve once storage requirements have been exceeded. However there are situation's where an overflow connection to the City of Bunbury drainage network is warranted. The requirements for obtaining approval for an overflow connection to the City's drainage network are outlined below:

- All requests for connection to the City's drainage network shall either be made in writing and/or shown on stormwater management plans submitted for approval. No works are to commence until written approval is received from the City.
- Before commencing works in Council road reserves, a "Works in Thoroughfare Permit" will be required. [A copy of the application form can be found on the City of Bunbury website under Residents / Roads, Footpaths and Verges.](#)
- All connections shall have a trapped manhole placed at the boundary of the lot prior to entering the City's system. Connections shall be fitted with a non return valve to prevent surcharging from the City's stormwater system.
- All connections shall have a provision for an overflow. Overflows shall be located to allow storm water to flow overland to the street without entering buildings.
- Connections shall only be made to Council manholes, SEP's or grated pits. No direct connections to pipes shall be permitted. Where a new manhole is required, it shall be approved by the Development Engineer and constructed at the applicants cost.
- Applicants are required to demonstrate that the quality of the runoff stormwater to be received by the Council drainage network will not impact environmentally on the receiving water body. Details of how this is to be achieved are to be included with the application.
- All works are to be done to the satisfaction of the City of Bunbury.
- Maintenance of connections is the responsibility of the applicant. Council accepts no responsibility, maintenance costs or damages for the connection to our drainage network.
- Further information can be obtained by contacting the Development Engineer on 9792 7067.