



Quarterly Water Quality Status of the Waterval River Catchment

1 July 2015 30 June 2016

In-stream Water Quality Guidelines

Sample Points	Sample Point Description	Ammonia	Chloride	Fluoride	M-Alkalinity	Nitrate	Phosphate	Sulphate	Chemical Oxygen Demand	Conductivity	pH	E. coli
WAW	Winkelhaakspruit @ Secunda 26°31'12.14"S 29° 41'17.79"E	22.00	59	0.35	172	15.77	2.60	75	40	81	7.55	
		12.30	44	0.50	198	1.11	2.15	38	52	71	7.45	
		5.93	52	0.33	129	0.57	2.27	39	40	57	7.17	
		5.40	38	0.43	129	2.73	1.08	48	31	48	7.99	
WAT	Kleinspruit @ Secunda 26°33'9.73"S 29° 4'58.31"E	0.51	36	0.77	122	2.07	0.14	64	24	51	7.70	
		0.64	21	0.39	110	1.87	0.22	37	24	44	7.81	
		<0.2	29	0.69	97	1.60	0.23	86	27	52	7.51	
		0.46	43	0.15	142	4.47	1.61	62	31	58	7.90	
WAR	Waterval River @ Roodebank 26°37'44.10"S 29° 1'32.31"E	4.70	38	0.50	160	7.07	1.37	55	26	62	7.65	
		8.50	41	0.57	163	2.37	1.50	63	24	60	7.62	
		3.80	59	0.62	115	0.73	0.78	69	19	60	7.15	
		4.73	41	0.49	170	1.31	1.13	67	35	60	8.11	
WAE	Waterval River @ Elandslaagte 26°51'30.04"S 28°53'23.52"E	<0.2	42	0.45	162	0.84	0.41	47	23	62	8.19	
		<0.5	9	0.63	218	0.54	<0.2	24	25	67	7.97	
		<0.2	27	0.44	89	0.54	0.32	42	29	39	7.40	
		0.28	37	0.59	138	0.64	0.14	65	32	58	8.27	
WATERVAL_VAAL	WATERVAL_VAAL - Waterval near confluence with Vaal River	<0.2	47	0.71	173	0.17	0.14	67	24	62	8.34	
		<0.5	63	0.80	215	<0.1	0.23	64	32	72	8.19	
		<0.2	19	0.49	78	0.73	0.43	39	33	33	7.46	
		0.25	26	0.44	91	0.93	0.12	58	34	43	7.86	
S-EVAN_W	Evander Sewage Works 26°29'32.97"S 29° 6'54.97"E	21.93	56	0.19	227	6.10	3.37	46	169	74	7.50	1017767
		12.00	50	0.30	155	3.01	1.36	44	60	61	7.32	886850
		13.43	38	0.39	213	7.65	2.35	61	53	72	7.44	1224867
		21.50	23	18.63	223	<0.1	2.85	46	106	75	7.35	1986300
S-SEC_LOC	Embalenhle Sewage Works 26°33'21.66"S 29° 4'16.66"E	25.00	45	0.21	308	1.68	4.77	58	147	98	7.44	853800
		47.00	53	0.36	368	2.75	3.86	57	125	104	7.65	793050
		33.50	44	0.24	83	<0.1	<0.1	42	58	49	7.51	1869450
		31.00	68	0.3	343	<0.1	7.10	79	98	113	7.44	490319
S-SEC_SEW	Secunda Sewage Works* 26°32'21.04"S 29° 8'42.00"E	0.55	41	0.38	113	2.00	0.27	52	64	63	7.48	5
		<0.5	53	0.46	113	2.87	0.75	73	41	56	7.84	3
		2.12	48	0.38	90	0.87	0.48	67	44	51	7.74	6
		1.20	52	0.54	125	2.83	0.28	75	22	61	7.46	85

*The above colour coding is as per the Waterval River Instream Water Quality Guideline and not Water Use License conditions for any mining/ industries.

Sewage Works Compliance (where applicable) to General Standard (GN 1191 Oct 1999)												
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Key

WAB	Bossiespruit @ Secunda	0.59	-	1 July 15 - 30 Sept 15
		0.12	-	1 Oct 15 - 31 Dec 15
		2.1	-	1 Jan 16 - 31 Mar 16
		0.28	-	1 Apr 16- 30 Jun 16

Water Quality Guidelines

	-	Ideal
	-	Acceptable
	-	Tolerable
	-	Unacceptable
	-	No sample or result available

In-stream Water Quality Guidelines for the Waterval Catchment

Variables	Measured as	Ideal Catchment Background	Acceptable Management Target	Tolerable Interim Target	Unacceptable
Physical					
Conductivity	mS/m	< 10	10 - 30	30 - 45	> 45
pH	pH units	6.5 - 8.5			< 6.5; > 8.5
Organic					
Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)	mg/l	< 10	10 - 15	15 - 20	> 20
Macro Elements					
Ammonia (NH ₄)	mg/l	< 0.2	0.2 - 0.5	0.5 - 1.0	> 1.0
Chloride (Cl)	mg/l	< 25	25 - 50	50 - 75	> 75
Fluoride (F)	mg/l	< 0.05	0.05 - 0.20	0.2 - 0.4	> 0.4
Alkalinity	CaCO ₃ mg/l	< 40	40 - 75	75 - 120	> 120
Nitrate (NO ₃)	mg/l	< 0.1	0.1 - 0.2	0.2 - 0.3	> 0.3
Phosphate (PO ₄)	mg/l	< 0.05	0.05 - 0.25	0.25 - 0.50	> 0.50
Sulphate (SO ₄)	mg/l	< 20	20 - 45	45 - 70	> 70
Bacteriological					
<i>Faecal coliforms</i>	counts/100ml	<10	10 - 60	60 - 120	> 120

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Variable	Limit
pH	5.5 - 9.5
Electrical Conductivity	≤70 mS/m
Chemical Oxygen Demand	≤75 mg/l
Ammonia as N	≤6 mg/l
Nitrate / Nitrite as Nitrogen	≤15 mg/l
Orthophosphate as P	≤10 mg/l
Fluoride	≤1 mg/l
<i>Faecal coliform</i> units (FCU)	0 per 100ml

Sewage Works Compliance to General Standard

(GN 1191 Oct 1999)

Variables	Measured as	Acceptable Management Target	Unacceptable
Physical			
Conductivity	mS/m	<150	≥150
pH	pH units	5.5 - 9.5	< 5.5; >9.5
Organic			
Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)**	mg/l	<75	≥75
Macro Elements			
Ammonia (NH ₄)	mg/l	<3	≥3
Fluoride (F)	mg/l	<1	≥1
Nitrate (NO ₃)	mg/l	<15	≥15
Phosphate (PO ₄)	mg/l	<10	>10
Bacteriological			
<i>Faecal coliforms</i>	counts/100ml	<1000	≥1000

** After removal of algae