



TESTING OF WATER QUALITY IN TANKS USED FOR WET STORAGE OF GOOLWA COCKLES

1. This form must be completed by a registered fish processor who processes Goolwa cockles (*Donax deltoides*) that have been taken pursuant to a Lakes & Coorong or Marine Scalefish Fishery licence and stores those Goolwa cockles in water, in accordance with the *Fisheries (Fish Processor) Regulations 1991*.
2. This form must have a laboratory report/s attached to it that is prepared by a person approved as a water quality tester. The regulations stipulate that a testing laboratory must be accredited by the National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) as "approved testers". If an approved tester other than the SASQAP Laboratory is used then the request form must nominate that a copy of results be faxed to the SASQAP Manager as below.
3. The registered fish processor must arrange for the approved tester to conduct water quality tests for total coliforms of water samples taken from every water tank in which Goolwa cockles are stored at least once every calendar month during the open season for cockles and once in the month prior to the season open date.
4. If the test results indicate that total coliforms are present then purging of shellfish for human consumption must cease and all attempts must be made to rectify the situation and return the sanitation system to operational specifications. Sale for human consumption must not resume until an approved test indicates that there are no coliforms in the water and the SASQAP Manager confirms that sale for human consumption may resume.
5. This form (and attached laboratory report) must be submitted to PIRSA within 15 days of the end of each calendar month by post or Fax to:

Manager, SASQAP
 Lincoln Marine Science Centre
 PORT LINCOLN SA 5606
 Fax: 8683 2560 Ph: 8683 2533

6. A copy of this form and the attached laboratory report must be kept by the registered fish processor for a period of 5 years, and must be made available for inspection by a Fisheries Officer upon request.

To be completed by the registered fish processor:

1. Address of premises where tanks are located:
2. Number of tank/s in which cockles are held in wet storage:
3. Attach laboratory results containing dates of testing and water quality testing of the holding tanks that pertain to this report or supply SASQAP MR numbers as relevant.
4. I confirm that the water sample/s to which this form relates were taken from my own wet storage tanks which are used to store Goolwa cockles in accordance with my fish processor registration. I confirm that I have collected samples from storage tanks on the dates indicated and that the water sample/s have been tested by a NATA accredited laboratory (laboratory report attached).
5. I understand that the test report must clearly state the number of total coliforms in the water sample which may be tested by Membrane Filtration (AS: 4276.5) or MPN (AS:4276.4).
6. I confirm that I have read the attached laboratory report and I am aware that it is an offence under the *Fisheries Act 1982* to provide information that is false or misleading.

Name: Signed: Date:/...../.....

Fish Processor Registration Number: