

**Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) Storage
Application for Approval of a Management Plan
(Section 25B of the HSNO Act)**

In order to store PCBs a holder must either:

1. Have a current exemption under s25C of the HSNO Act¹, or;
2. Have an approved management plan approved by the Environmental Risk Management Authority under clause 7 of the Hazardous Substances (Storage and Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls) Notice 2007² (the Notice).

As of 1 July 2010, exemptions under (1) will not be renewed and an application for a management plan under (2) must be submitted.

A new application must be by way of a management plan under (2).

Applications for approval of a management plan do not need to follow any specific format. However, they must include all of the information required by the Notice; more specifically, it must outline what actions you are taking to ensure the PCBs will be exported from New Zealand by 2016. A list of the required information is provided in the table below.

The application should be sent to your local Public Health Unit, attention the HSNO officer. Contact details of the Public health Units can be found at:
<http://www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/indexmh/contact-us-public-health-services>.

No approval may last more than 2 years, and cannot extend past 31 December 2016.

Failure to provide all information outlined on page 2 of this document will result in the issue of a compliance order by the local Public Health Unit.

¹ An exemption must have been issued previously under the Toxic Substances Act 1979.

² A copy can be obtained at

<http://www.ermanz.govt.nz/resources/publications/pdfs/PCB%20Gazette%20Notice.pdf>

Name and address of the company or person who owns the PCBs	Full name of owner
Name of the company or person who is holding (using or storing) the PCBs	Full name of holder
Postal address of the company or person who is holding (using or storing) the PCBs	Postal address of holder
Physical address of the company or person who is holding (using or storing) the PCBs	Physical address of holder
Name of Person in Charge at the holding site	Full name and job title of Person in Charge
Amount of PCBs stored at that location³	<p>Can be litres or kg, or may be number of pieces if PCB is contained in sealed units e.g. capacitors</p> <p>Details should include (as accurately as possible) estimates of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the number and type(s) of PCB material ○ the current total weight of stored PCB material ○ the current total weight of any PCB material that is being used (e.g. in transformers, light fittings etc)
Maximum number of containers	Numbers of containers used as outer packaging (e.g. 200 litre drums)
A management plan that demonstrates the PCBs are being stored safely in compliance with the Notice.	<p>The management plan must be supported by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Site plans including containment and drainage ● Building drawings ● Photographs ● Endorsement from an independent person such as an enforcement officer or test certifier
Export Details	<p>The management plan must include the following details:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify who is financially responsible for exporting the PCBs 2. Proposed date of export (should be within 2 years) 3. Identify proposed export company 4. A brief history of PCB exports by the holder (over the previous 2 – 5 years). Include dates and quantities exported.

³ Clause 6

	5. Approximate cost for export of current holdings
Other evidence to be provided.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Description of the containers in which the PCBs are stored⁴. 2. Description of building security, moisture control, ventilation and spill containment⁴. 3. Situation of the PCBs in the building⁴. 4. How compliance with other matters in the Code of Practice for the Safe Management of PCBs is achieved⁵. 5. How compliance is to be achieved with the controls listed in the Schedule to the Notice.

⁴ Clause 5(2)(a)

⁵ Clause 5(2)(b). The Code of Practice for the Safe Management of PCBs can be found at the Ministry of Health website: [http://www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/pagesmh/8089/\\$File/safe-managements-pcbs-jul08.pdf](http://www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/pagesmh/8089/$File/safe-managements-pcbs-jul08.pdf)