

**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).

Exemptions under (1) above may be renewed before they expire. If the exemption is not renewed before it expires, an application for a management plan under (2) must be submitted.

All new applications must be by way of a management plan under (2).

Applications for approval of a management plan under clause 7 do not need to follow any specific format. However, they must include all of the information required by the Notice. A list of this 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>.

It should be noted that no approval (or extension to an existing exemption) may last more than 2 years, and cannot extend past 31 December 2016.

¹ An exemption would 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 of Holder	Full name
Address of holder	Postal address
Location where PCBs are stored	Physical address
Amount of PCBs stored at that location³	Can be litres or kg, or may be number of pieces if PCB is contained in sealed units e.g. capacitors
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.	The management plan must be supported by: <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
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 the Code of Practice for the Safe Management of PCBs is achieved⁵. 5. A management plan for the safe storage and ultimate disposal of the PCBs⁶. 6. How compliance is to be achieved with the controls listed in the Schedule to the Notice.

³ Clause 6

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/indexmh/safe-management-pcb-s-sep07?Open>

⁶ Clause 9