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POLICY

DRINKING WATER QUALITY

1. OVERVIEW

The Rottnest Island Authority (RIA) provides safe, high-quality drinking water supply to consumers on Rottnest Island.

The RIA is committed to managing its water supply effectively in order to provide drinking water that consistently meets *Australian Drinking Water Guidelines*, consumer and other regulatory requirements.

2. OBJECTIVES

The key objective of this policy is to provide safe, high-quality drinking water that consistently meets *Australian Drinking Water Guidelines*, consumer and other regulatory requirements.

3. SCOPE

This policy and any associated procedures and forms are applicable to the RIA, in partnership with the Department of Health and parties contracted to provide drinking water services on the Island.

4. DEFINITIONS

Australian Drinking Water Guidelines, as published by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC).

5. POLICY STATEMENT/S

It is RIA policy to:

- ***manage water quality at all points along the delivery chain from source water to the consumer;***
- ***use a risk-based approach in which potential threats to water quality are identified and balanced;***
- ***integrate the needs and expectations of our consumers, stakeholders, regulators and employees into our planning;***
- ***establish regular monitoring of the quality of drinking water and effective reporting mechanisms to provide relevant and timely information, and promote confidence in the water supply and its management;***
- ***develop appropriate contingency planning and incident response capability;***
- ***continually improve our practices by assessing performance against corporate commitments and stakeholder expectations; and***
- ***ensure that when contracting parties to provide drinking water services on behalf of RIA, that the parties are contracted to deliver on these policy objectives.***

6. STATUTORY COMPLIANCE and RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

This policy is established and implemented pursuant to RIA's commitments under clause 4.1 of the *Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Health and Rottnest Island Authority for Drinking Water*. The policy reflects the requirements of the *Australian Drinking Water Guidelines*.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE

The policy initially came into effect from 1 January 2016 and has been reviewed and revised with effect from 31 January 2018.

8. REVIEW DATE


The policy is to be reviewed every three (3) years.

9. CUSTODIAN

General Manager, Project and Contracts Services

10. POLICY AUTHORISATION

This policy details the Rottnest Island Authority's policy for Drinking Water Quality.

Signed:  Date: 10/1/18
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11. POLICY REVISION

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1.0	1. Final Version	Tracey Hornsey	04/02/2016	1 - 2
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