

Notice of Exemption

In accordance with section 220 of the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 (the Act), OJI Fibre Solutions (NZ) Limited is exempted from compliance with regulation 17.99(2) under the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017 (the HS Regulations) for the 25 tanks specified in the table below at the Tasman Pulp and Paper Mill site, Fletcher Avenue, Kawerau ('the site') subject to the following conditions-

OJI Fibre Solutions (NZ) Limited must -

- (1) use its current wastewater treatment system as a means of containing any pooling substances held in the workplace if they escape from the container or containers in which they are being held; and
- (2) continue to hold resource consent from the Bay of Plenty Regional Council to discharge treated wastewater and stormwater to the Tarawera River; and
- (3) operate, monitor, manage and maintain the site stormwater collection system, process sewers and wastewater treatment systems in accordance with the procedures and principles specified in Tasman Pulp and Paper Mill Stormwater Operations Manual and Spillage Contingency Plan dated 13 August 2019 (or any succeeding versions as issued by Bay of Plenty Regional Council under resource consent 65722); and
- (4) ensure the surface area around each tank is impervious to hazardous substances and is capable of channelling any spill away from the tank and into the process sewers of the wastewater management system; and
- (5) the current nib walls at the site associated with the 25 tanks must be maintained to ensure they effectively direct the flow of pooling substances to the site stormwater collection system; and
- (6) the contents of the tanks must be limited to process liquors and raw materials that are associated with pulp and paper manufacture; and
- (7) provide a copy of this exemption to any compliance certifier engaged to issue a location compliance certificate; and
- (8) hold a copy of this exemption at the site.

This exemption takes effect on 23 December 2022 and expires on 23 December 2027 unless it is replaced sooner or revoked.

Signed at Wellington this 20th day of December 2022



Phil Parkes
Chief Executive
WorkSafe New Zealand

	TANK 1	TANK 2	TANK 3	TANK 4	TANK 5
Tank Number	52TK003	52TK004	52TK005	52TK009	52TK010
Tank Description	#2A Strong Black Liquor Tank	#2B Strong Black Liquor Tank	#2C Strong Black Liquor Tank	RB2 North Dissolving Tank	RB2 South Dissolving Tank
Substance Stored	Black Liquor	Black Liquor	Black Liquor	Green Liquor	Green Liquor
Hazard Classification	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A, 8.3A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A, 8.3A
Container Gross Capacity (L)	176,000	176,000	265,944	75,372	75,372
Date of Installation	2020	2019	1989	1967	1967

	TANK 6	TANK 7	TANK 8	TANK 9	TANK 10
Tank Number	52TK011	52TK017	61EV015	61EV016	61EV017
Tank Description	RB2 Dump Tank	RB2 Cascade Evaporator	No.2 Evaporator 4th Effect	No.2 Evaporator 5th Effect	No.2 Evaporator 6th Effect
Substance Stored	Black Liquor	Black Liquor	Black Liquor	Black Liquor	Black Liquor
Hazard Classification	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A, 8.3A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A, 8.3A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A, 8.3A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A, 8.3A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A, 8.3A
Container Gross Capacity (L)	159,730	130,000	47,400	47,400	50,500
Date of Installation	1963	2002	1971	1971	1971

	TANK 11	TANK 12	TANK 13	TANK 14	TANK 15
Tank Number	61TK016	61TK018	61TK019	61TK038	61TK057
Tank Description	Black Liquor Foam Level SBLOX Tank	Black Liquor Secondary SBLOX Tank	Black Liquor Primary SBLOX Tank	Crude Tall Oil Cook/Separation Tank	Foul Condensate Stripper Feed Tank
Substance Stored	Black Liquor	Black Liquor	Black Liquor	Tall Oil Soap	Foul Condensate
Hazard Classification	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A	6.1D, 6.9A, 8.1A	6.3A, 8.3A	3.1B, 6.1C, 6.8B, 6.9A
Container Gross Capacity (L)	244,120	446,000	446,000	98,000	8,500
Date of Installation	1987	1987	1987	1994	1954

	TANK 16	TANK 17	TANK 18	TANK 19	TANK 20
Tank Number	61PV15	61PV16	61PV17	63TK005	63TK008
Tank Description	VESSEL,STAGE 1 SCRUBBER	VESSEL,STAGE 2 SCRUBBER	VESSEL,STAGE 3 SCRUBBER	White Liquor Slaker	White Liquor Pressure Filter
Substance Stored	WATER MIX, WEAK HYPO + GASES	WEAK HYPO (NaOCl) + Dil H2SO4 + GASES	H2O/Weak Wash + GASES	White Liquor	White Liquor
Hazard Classification	6.1B, 8.1A, 8.2B, 8.3A	6.1B, 8.3A, 9.1D	6.1E (oral and dermal), 8.3A	6.1D, 8.1A, 8.2B, 8.3A	6.1D, 8.1A, 8.2B, 8.3A
Container Gross Capacity (L)	7,000	7,000	7,000	70,000	87,000

Date of Installation	2001	1995	1995	1989	1989
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	TANK 21	TANK 22	TANK 23	TANK 24	TANK 25
Tank Number	63TK024	63TK035	63TK036	65TK023	65TK030
Tank Description	Lime Mud Washer	Green Liquor North Blend Tank	Green Liquor South Blend Tank	Main Caustic Storage Tank 20%	Caustic Storage Tank 50%
Substance Stored	Weak Wash	White Liquor	White Liquor	Caustic	Caustic
Hazard Classification		6.1D, 8.1A, 8.2B, 8.3A	6.1D, 8.1A, 8.2B, 8.3A	6.1D, 8.1A, 8.2B, 8.3A, 9.1D	6.1D, 8.1A, 8.2B, 8.3A, 9.1D
Container Gross Capacity (L)	2,375,000	198,140	198,140	346,100	111000
Date of Installation	1971	2001	2001	Circa 1961	1997