

Water and Waste Water Quality Analysis Results for the Month of June 2016

Sampling and analysis was done for the month of June 2016 by Amatola Water Scientific Lab for the entire Makana i.e. Grahamstown, Alicedale and Riebeeck East in Bulk and Reticulation, supply both Water and Waste Water.

Water quality results are subdivided into Physical, Chemical and Microbiological requirements.

Table 1: Summary of water quality compliance

Section	Final - WTW			Reticulation Network			SANS 241 Limits
	No of Tests	Failures(No)	Com-pliance (%)	No of Tests	Failures	Com-pliance (%)	
June 2016							
Physical	26	3	88.46	48	8	83.33	≥93 Excellent ≥90 Good <90 Unacceptable
Chemical	37	0	100	71	0	100	≥ 95 Excellent ≥ 93 Good <93 Unacceptable
Microbiological / Bacteriological	30	0	100	60	2	96.67	≥ 97 Excellent ≥ 95 Good <95 Unacceptable
Total Monthly Compliance	93	3	96.77	73	10	94.41	

Monthly Quality Statistics – June 2016

The results for June 2016 indicate non-compliance on physical analysis. Concentration of *Turbidity* in final water at Nonzwakazi, J-street, Extension 7 clinic, Riebeeck East is due to high solids from the raw water from Glenmeville dam which is supplying the Eastern side of Grahamstown, Howiesondpoort and use of lay dams in Waainek, borehole low yield in Riebeeck East.

Total Plate Count as the bacteriological non-compliance concentration is also indicated at the Environmental Health Offices. The total plate count (37°C (CFU/lml) is a procedure used to estimate the number of live heterotrophic bacteria that are present in a water sample. HPC can be caused by many things including general water safety practices such as maintenance, regular cleaning, temperature management and maintenance of disinfectants. Compliance monitoring including chlorination is constantly being monitored to improve the conditions.

Further investigations are undergoing.

Regulations of Drinking Water.

As per the drinking water regulations, when hazardous concentrations are detected, community have to be notified with remedy action e.g. Boiling the water to be advised until disinfection and retesting can confirm that contamination has been eliminated.

The municipality has an existing protocol on communicating such incident.

Waste Water Determinants

DETERMINANTS	SANS 241/ DWAE STANDARDS		SITE		
	June 2016				
	Class I Water	Class II Water	Belmont Valley	Alicedale WWTW	Mayfield WTW
Chemical Oxygen Demand	75	75	111	-	103
Nitrate as N	5 – 9.5	4.0 – 10	5.37	-	0.01
Ammonia as N	6	6	17.69	-	24.09

No sampling was done in Alicedale WWTW; the plant is currently not discharging to the river due to capacity issues. The effluent is treated through oxidation process and discharged to the ponds for polishing.