

## Appendix 2.2 - Drinking Water Quality Standard

Table 1 - Chemicals of Health Significance as described by World Health Organization Guidelines (WHO) for Drinking-water Quality in third edition (2008) and fourth edition (2011)

| Parameter   | Unit | WHO 3 <sup>rd</sup> edition (2008) Guideline Value | Parameter   | Unit | Latest WHO 4 <sup>th</sup> edition (2011) Guideline Value |
|---|------|--|---|------|---|
| Acrylamide  | µg/L | 0.5  | Acrylamide  | µg/L | 0.5   |
| Alachlor  | µg/L | 20   | Alachlor  | µg/L | 20  |
| Aldicarb  | µg/L | 10   | Aldicarb  | µg/L | 10  |
| Aldrin and Dieldrin                                   | µg/L | 0.03   | Aldrin and Dieldrin                                   | µg/L | 0.03  |
| Antimony  | mg/L | 0.02   | Antimony  | mg/L | 0.02  |
| Arsenic   | mg/L | 0.01 (P)   | Arsenic   | mg/L | 0.01 (A,T)  |
| Atrazine  | µg/L | 2  | Atrazine and its chloro-s-triazine metabolites        | µg/L | 100   |
| Barium  | mg/L | 0.7  | Barium  | mg/L | 0.7   |
| Benzene   | µg/L | 10   | Benzene   | µg/L | 10  |
| Benzo[a]pyrene  | µg/L | 0.7  | Benzo[a]pyrene  | µg/L | 0.7   |
| Boron   | mg/L | 0.5 (T)  | Boron   | mg/L | 2.4   |
| Bromate   | µg/L | 10 (A,T)   | Bromate   | µg/L | 10 (A,T)  |
| Bromodichloromethane                                  | µg/L | 60   | Bromodichloromethane                                  | µg/L | 60  |
| Bromoform   | µg/L | 100  | Bromoform   | µg/L | 100   |
| Cadmium   | mg/L | 0.003  | Cadmium   | mg/L | 0.003   |
| Carbofuran  | µg/L | 7  | Carbofuran  | µg/L | 7   |
| Carbon tetrachloride                                  | µg/L | 4  | Carbon tetrachloride                                  | µg/L | 4   |
| Chlorate  | µg/L | 700 (D)  | Chlorate  | µg/L | 700 (D)   |
| Chlordane   | µg/L | 0.2  | Chlordane   | µg/L | 0.2   |
| Chlorine  | mg/L | 5 (C)  | Chlorine  | mg/L | 5 (C)   |
| Chlorite  | µg/L | 700 (D)  | Chlorite  | µg/L | 700 (D)   |
| Chloroform  | µg/L | 300  | Chloroform  | µg/L | 300   |
| Chlorotoluron   | µg/L | 30   | Chlorotoluron   | µg/L | 30  |
| Chlorpyrifos  | µg/L | 30   | Chlorpyrifos  | µg/L | 30  |
| Chromium  | mg/L | 0.05 (P)   | Chromium  | mg/L | 0.05 (P)  |
| Copper  | mg/L | 2  | Copper  | mg/L | 2   |
| Cyanazine   | µg/L | 0.6  | Cyanazine   | µg/L | 0.6   |
| Cyanide   | mg/L | 0.07   | -   | -    | -   |
| Cyanogen chloride                                     | mg/L | 0.07   | -   | -    | -   |
| 2,4-D (2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid)                | µg/L | 30   | 2,4-D (2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid)                | µg/L | 30  |
| 2,4-DB (2,4-dichlorophenoxybutyric acid)              | µg/L | 90   | 2,4-DB (2,4-dichlorophenoxybutyric acid)              | µg/L | 90  |
| DDT (Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane) and metabolites | µg/L | 1  | DDT (Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane) and metabolites | µg/L | 1   |
| Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate                             | µg/L | 8  | Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate                             | µg/L | 8   |
| Dibromoacetonitrile                                   | µg/L | 70   | Dibromoacetonitrile                                   | µg/L | 70  |
| Dibromochloromethane                                  | µg/L | 100  | Dibromochloromethane                                  | µg/L | 100   |
| 1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane                           | µg/L | 1  | 1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane                           | µg/L | 1   |
| 1,2-Dibromoethane                                     | µg/L | 0.4 (P)  | 1,2-Dibromoethane                                     | µg/L | 0.4 (P)   |
| Dichloroacetate                                       | µg/L | 50 (T,D)   | Dichloroacetate                                       | µg/L | 50 (D)  |
| Dichloroacetonitrile                                  | µg/L | 20 (P)   | Dichloroacetonitrile                                  | µg/L | 20 (P)  |

|   |      |          |   |      |            |
|---|------|----------|---|------|------------|
| 1,2-Dichlorobenzene                             | µg/L | 1000 (C) | 1,2-Dichlorobenzene                             | µg/L | 1000 (C)   |
| 1,4-Dichlorobenzene                             | µg/L | 300 (C)  | 1,4-Dichlorobenzene                             | µg/L | 300 ©      |
| 1,2-Dichloroethane                              | µg/L | 30       | 1,2-Dichloroethane                              | µg/L | 30         |
| 1,2-Dichloroethene                              | µg/L | 50       | 1,2-Dichloroethene                              | µg/L | 50         |
| Dichloromethane                                 | µg/L | 20       | Dichloromethane                                 | µg/L | 20         |
| 1,2-Dichloropropane                             | µg/L | 40 (P)   | 1,2-Dichloropropane                             | µg/L | 40 (P)     |
| 1,3-Dichloropropene                             | µg/L | 20       | 1,3-Dichloropropene                             | µg/L | 20         |
| Dichlorprop                                     | µg/L | 100      | Dichlorprop                                     | µg/L | 100        |
| Dimethoate                                      | µg/L | 6        | Dimethoate                                      | µg/L | 6          |
| 1,4-Dioxane                                     | µg/L | 50       | 1,4-Dioxane                                     | µg/L | 50         |
| Edetic acid (EDTA)                              | µg/L | 600      | Edetic acid                                     | µg/L | 600        |
| Endrin  | µg/L | 0.6      | Endrin  | µg/L | 0.6        |
| Epichlorohydrin                                 | µg/L | 0.4 (P)  | Epichlorohydrin                                 | µg/L | 0.4 (P)    |
| Ethylbenzene                                    | µg/L | 300 (C)  | Ethylbenzene                                    | µg/L | 300 (C)    |
| Fenoprop  | µg/L | 9        | Fenoprop  | µg/L | 9          |
| Fluoride  | mg/L | 1.5      | Fluoride  | mg/L | 1.5        |
| Hexachlorobutadiene                             | µg/L | 0.6      | Hexachlorobutadiene                             | µg/L | 0.6        |
| -   | -    | -        | Hydroxyatrazine                                 | µg/L | 200        |
| Isoproturon                                     | µg/L | 9        | Isoproturon                                     | µg/L | 9          |
| Lead  | mg/L | 0.01     | Lead  | mg/L | 0.01 (A,T) |
| Lindane   | µg/L | 2        | Lindane   | µg/L | 2          |
| Manganese                                       | mg/L | 0.4 (C)  | -   | -    | -          |
| MCPA (4-(2-Methyl-4-chlorophenoxy) acetic acid) | µg/L | 2        | MCPA (4-(2-Methyl-4-chlorophenoxy) acetic acid) | µg/L | 2          |
| Mecoprop  | µg/L | 10       | Mecoprop  | µg/L | 10         |
| Mercury   | mg/L | 0.006    | Mercury   | mg/L | 0.006      |
| Methoxychlor                                    | µg/L | 20       | Methoxychlor                                    | µg/L | 20         |
| Metolachlor                                     | µg/L | 10       | Metolachlor                                     | µg/L | 10         |
| Microcystin-LR                                  | µg/L | 1 (P)    | Microcystin-LR                                  | µg/L | 1 (P)      |
| Molinate  | µg/L | 6        | Molinate  | µg/L | 6          |
| Molybdenum                                      | mg/L | 0.07     | -   | -    | -          |
| Monochloramine                                  | mg/L | 3        | Monochloramine                                  | mg/L | 3          |
| Monochloroacetate                               | µg/L | 20       | Monochloroacetate                               | µg/L | 20         |
| Nickel  | mg/L | 0.07     | Nickel  | mg/L | 0.07       |
| Nitrate (as NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> )      | mg/L | 50       | Nitrate (as NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> )      | mg/L | 50         |
| Nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA)                     | µg/L | 200      | Nitrilotriacetic acid                           | µg/L | 200        |
| Nitrite (as NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> )      | mg/L | 3        | Nitrite (as NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> )      | mg/L | 3          |
| N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)                   | µg/L | 100      | N-Nitrosodimethylamine                          | µg/L | 0.1        |
| Pendimethalin                                   | µg/L | 20       | Pendimethalin                                   | µg/L | 20         |
| Pentachlorophenol                               | µg/L | 9 (P)    | Pentachlorophenol                               | µg/L | 9 (P)      |
| Permethrin                                      | µg/L | 300      | -   | -    | -          |
| Pyriproxyfen                                    | µg/L | 300      | -   | -    | -          |
| Selenium  | mg/L | 0.01     | Selenium  | mg/L | 0.04 (P)   |
| Simazine  | µg/L | 2        | Simazine  | µg/L | 2          |
| Sodium dichloroisocyanurate (as cyanuric acid)  | mg/L | 40       | Sodium dichloroisocyanurate (as cyanuric acid)  | mg/L | 40         |
| Styrene   | µg/L | 20 (C)   | Styrene   | µg/L | 20 (C)     |
| 2,4,5-T   | µg/L | 9        | 2,4,5-T (2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy acetic acid)    | µg/L | 9          |
| Terbutylazine                                   | µg/L | 7        | Terbutylazine                                   | µg/L | 7          |
| Tetrachloroethene                               | µg/L | 40       | Tetrachloroethene                               | µg/L | 40         |
| Toluene   | µg/L | 700 (C)  | Toluene   | µg/L | 700 (C)    |
| Trichloroacetate                                | µg/L | 200      | Trichloroacetate                                | µg/L | 200        |

|                       |      |   |                       |      |   |
|-----------------------|------|---|-----------------------|------|---|
| Trichloroethene       | µg/L | 20 (P)  | Trichloroethene       | µg/L | 20 (P)  |
| 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol | µg/L | 200 (C)   | 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol | µg/L | 200 (C)   |
| Trifluralin           | µg/L | 20  | Trifluralin           | µg/L | 20  |
| Trihalomethanes       | -    | The sum of the ratio of the concentration of each to its respective guideline value should not exceed 1 | Trihalomethanes       |      | The sum of the ratio of the concentration of each to its respective guideline value should not exceed 1 |
| Uranium               | mg/L | 0.015 (P,T)   | Uranium               | mg/L | 0.03 (P)  |
| Vinyl chloride        | µg/L | 0.3   | Vinyl chloride        | µg/L | 0.3   |
| Xylenes               | µg/L | 500 (C)   | Xylenes               | µg/L | 500 (C)   |

Note:

- According to WHO Drinking-water Quality 3<sup>rd</sup> edition (2008):
  - P = provisional guideline value, as there is evidence of a hazard, but the available information on health effects is limited;
  - T = provisional guideline value because calculated guideline value is below the level that can be achieved through practical treatment methods, source protection, etc;
  - A = provisional guideline value because calculated guideline value is below the achievable quantification level;
  - D = provisional guideline value because disinfection is likely to result in the guideline value being exceeded;
  - C = concentrations of the substance at or below the health-based guideline value may affect the appearance, taste or odour of the water, leading to consumer complaints.
- According to WHO Drinking-water Quality 4<sup>th</sup> edition (2011):
  - A = Provisional guideline value because calculated guideline value is below the achievable quantification level;
  - C = Concentrations of the substance at or below the health-based guideline value may affect the appearance, taste or odour of the water, leading to consumer complaints;
  - D = Provisional guideline value because disinfection is likely to result in the guideline value being exceeded;
  - P = Provisional guideline value because of uncertainties in the health database;
  - T = Provisional guideline value because calculated guideline value is below the level that can be achieved through practical treatment methods, source protection, etc.

## Appendix 2.2 - Drinking Water Quality Standard

Table 2 - Other Water Quality Parameters

| Parameter                            | Existing Standard                         | Parameter                            | Standard for the Reprovisioned Sha Tin WTW South Works                                |
|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| pH at 25°C                           | 8.2 – 8.8                                 | pH at 25°C                           | 8.2 – 8.8   |
| Colour                               | Not exceeding 5 Hazen units               | Colour                               | Not exceeding 5 Hazen units   |
| Turbidity                            | Not exceeding 1.5 NTU                     | Turbidity                            | Not exceeding 1.0 NTU, and not exceeding 0.3 NTU in 95% of daily samples in any month |
| Iron as Fe                           | Not exceeding 0.1 mg/L                    | Iron as Fe                           | Not exceeding 0.1 mg/L  |
| Manganese as Mn                      | Not exceeding 0.05 mg/L                   | Manganese as Mn                      | Not exceeding 0.05 mg/L   |
| Aluminium as Al                      | Not exceeding 0.10 mg/L                   | Aluminium as Al                      | Not exceeding 0.10 mg/L   |
| Free residual chlorine               | 0.5 - 1.5 mg/L                            | Free residual chlorine               | 0.5 - 1.5 mg/L  |
| Fluoride as F                        | ± 10% of nominal level (current 0.5 mg/L) | Fluoride as F                        | ± 10% of nominal level (current 0.5 mg/L)   |
| Taste and odour                      | Unobjectionable                           | Taste and odour                      | Unobjectionable   |
| Total Coliforms & E.coli (no./100mL) | Absent                                    | Total Coliforms & E.coli (no./100mL) | Absent  |
| -                                    | -   | Cryptosporidium                      | 4-log (99.99%) reduction or inactivation  |
| -                                    | -   | Giardia                              | 4-log (99.99%) reduction or inactivation  |
| -                                    | -   | Viruses                              | 4-log (99.99%) reduction or inactivation  |