

NABERS WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT



A NABERS Waste Verification Report
helps you accurately track your building's
waste performance



WHY NABERS?

At NABERS, we know that environmentally friendly buildings are better for the bottom line, better for our staff, customers and communities and better for the planet.

NABERS (which stands for the National Australian Built Environment Rating System) provides simple, reliable and comparable sustainability measurement you can trust across building sectors like offices, apartments, hotels, shopping centres, data centres and more.

Over the last 20 years we have proven that “what gets measured gets managed”. Our rating system has

driven financial growth and solid returns in portfolios across building sectors by clearly demonstrating their operational performance. This third-party validation improves confidence and transparency.

A NABERS verification helps you to accurately measure, understand and communicate the environmental performance of your building. It can assist you in identifying areas for future improvements and help drive progress towards a circular economy.

ABOUT NABERS WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT

The NABERS Waste tool measures how well a building manages waste generation, recycling and resource recovery, and supply chain management.

WHICH BUILDINGS CAN GET A NABERS WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT?

- Apartment Buildings
- Correctional Facilities
- Data Centres
- Hotels
- Office Tenancies
- Residential Aged Care & Retirement Living
- Shopping Centres
- Warehouses and Cold Storage Facilities

NABERS WASTE PLATFORM

The NABERS Waste Platform measures how well the people in buildings separate waste into streams that can be composted and recycled. The platform tracks your building’s waste data month-to-month and converts it into useful management insights.

NABERS WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT

The NABERS Waste Verification Report is designed for buildings that want to report on their waste performance using a respected industry standard. By inputting data into the NABERS Waste Platform and verifying your on-the-ground performance with a NABERS Waste Accredited Assessor, you will generate a report that enables you to prove your commitment to reducing your building’s environmental footprint.

WHAT DO YOU GET WITH A NABERS WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT?

- Access to the NABERS Waste Platform and portfolio dashboards for a year
- A report that gives your building a NABERS Verified Waste Score and a NABERS Verified Recycling Rate that you can report on with confidence. The report is valid for a year



YOUR SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

MEASURE PERFORMANCE

A NABERS Waste Verification Report helps you put responsible waste management at the centre of your organisation's sustainability strategy and gives you the essential information you need to develop, evaluate and report on your circular economy policy. You'll also gain a head start to take advantage of potential government procurement policy.

IMPROVE ACCOUNTABILITY

A NABERS Waste Verification Report helps incentivise your waste contractor to weigh your waste correctly and take your recycling and organics to the right place, empowering you to know exactly where your waste is going. The NABERS Waste standards align with the Better Buildings Partnership Operational Waste guidelines and the Good Environmental Choice (GECA) Waste Collections Services Standard.

VALIDATE AND COMMUNICATE

NABERS provides cost-effective, high-trust and independent validation of your sustainability data so you can be confident reporting results publicly.

TRACK IMPROVEMENTS

Gain exclusive access to Australia's most advanced waste monitoring system with over 50 waste streams to track your waste performance in real time. We provide you with a baseline for improvement and reward you with a higher waste score annually when you recycle more.



HOW CAN I IMPROVE MY NABERS WASTE SCORE?

You can't improve what you can't measure, and it's normal to get a low waste score the first time. These actions can help you towards improving your next score:

- Investigate your material stream supply chain
- Increase recycling streams (organics, e-waste etc.)
- Improve the quality of data by weighing waste on site
- Renew your rating to monitor improvements

HOW YOU CAN BENEFIT



REDUCE WASTE TO LANDFILL



DEVELOP YOUR CIRCULAR ECONOMY POLICY



COMPARE ACROSS YOUR SITES



FIND OUT WHERE YOUR WASTE IS GOING



PROVIDE A BASELINE FOR IMPROVEMENT



VERIFY & VALIDATE INTERNAL TRACKING



IMPROVE YOUR RECYCLING & RESOURCE RECOVERY



REDUCE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT



STEPS TO A WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT



1. GETTING STARTED

Register your building on the NABERS Waste Platform if not already a user and upload waste data.

Engage a NABERS Accredited Assessor to arrange a verification audit.

Obtain 2-3 Assessor quotes to understand the scope of work (site hours and consulting hours).



2. SEEK INTERNAL BUY-IN

Add NABERS waste data reporting requirements to waste contracts.

Work with your contractors, cleaners and waste providers to review your onsite practices and prepare your data.

Ask them to provide verified NABERS data according to NABERS rules and assumptions.



3. ACHIEVE NABERS WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT

Once you have 12 months' of operational waste data and the key inputs required in the Waste Manager Platform you can request your verification audit.

Your assessor will advise you on what you need to provide.

Organise access to your bin rooms for your Assessor to conduct site visits to validate your data and processes.

Authorise your verification on the platform and communicate your progress.



4. IMPROVE WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT RESULTS

Use this verified data to share your results and develop targets and action strategies. With annual checks you can track improved performance.

GET YOUR WASTE VERIFICATION REPORT

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