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**Water Registration Activity:**

**Channel modification of a previously modified minor watercourse**

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## How to use this activity form

Use this form to:

* Apply for a new registration to carry on the activity specified in Section 1.
* Apply to vary a registration to add the activity specified in Section 1.
* Apply to transfer a registration that authorises the activity specified in Section 1.

## Before you apply

* You must read and ensure you can comply with all the standard conditions for this activity. Up to date standard conditions and associated guidance is available on the relevant activity specific page on our [website](https://www.sepa.org.uk/easr).
* Where you see the term ‘document reference’, enter the document reference(s) for the information you have provided. These must be submitted along with the completed form.
* Complete all relevant sections of this form and submit all the required information. If you fail to do so, we will return your application and may retain part of the fee.

## Multiple activities under a single registration

We may authorise multiple activities under a single registration, but only if the activities are connected. Activities may be considered connected if they are:

* located at the same geographical location,
* part of the same project, or
* operationally linked.

If the activities are connected, you may submit a single application for multiple activitiesunder one registration.

If the activities are not connected, you must submit a separate application for each activity.

## How to apply

**Digital application service:**

The quickest and easiest way to apply for a **new registration** or a **variation of a registration** is via our [digital application service](https://www.sepa.org.uk/easr) on our website.

You will need to upload:

1. Completed activity form(s)
2. Any required supporting information

Important: The digital application service cannot be used to apply for a **transfer of a registration**. To transfer a registration, you must apply by email or post.

**Email/Post application:**

If you cannot apply using our digital application service, you can submit your application by email or post.

* For a **new registration or a variation of a registration**, your application must include:
1. A completed APP-GEN1 form
2. Completed activity form(s)
3. Any required supporting information
* For a **transfer of a registration**, your application must include:
1. A completed APP-GEN2 form
2. Completed activity form(s)
3. Any required supporting information

You will find the email and postal addresses for submitting your application in the APP-GEN1 and APP-GEN2 forms.

You can download [APP-GEN1, APP-GEN2, and activity forms](https://www.sepa.org.uk/easr) from our website.

## Section 1 - Activity description

This is the activity form for the following water registration activity:

Channel modification of a minor watercourse:

1. where the length of channel affected is less than or equal to 500 metres;
2. where the channel has been previously modified; and
3. that has a bed of sand, silt or clay.

## Section 2 - Location of the activity

Please provide the following information about the location of the activity.

**Table 1: Location details**

| **Question** | **Answer** |
| --- | --- |
| **Location description** (e.g. Green Farm, or between X and Y on River Clean) |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **Postcode** |  |

## Section 3 - Application type

Please tick **only one** box below to confirm the type of application you wish to submit, then proceed to the relevant section.

Note: You must submit a separate application for each application type.

1. **New registration** to carry on the activity specified in Section 1. [ ]

(proceed to Section A)

1. **Variation** of an existing registration to add the activity specified in Section 1. [ ]

(proceed to Section B)

1. **Transfer** of the activity specified in Section 1.[ ]

(proceed to Section C)

## Section A - New registration

### A.1 Compliance with standard conditions

To apply for a new registration, you must comply with all standard conditions associated with the activity. You can find the most up to date standard conditions on the relevant activity specific page on our website.

Please tick the box to confirm the following statement:

I confirm that the applicant has read, understood and is able to comply with the [ ]

standard conditions associated with the activity specified in Section 1.

### A.2 Activity location

Please provide the name, where known, of the watercourse, the National Grid Reference (NGR) of the midpoint for the activity and the length of channel modification in metres.

You can use our [SEPA NGR Tool](https://map.sepa.org.uk/ngrtool/) to find the NGR.

The NGR should be in one of these formats:

* 2 letters followed by 10 digits (e.g. AB 12345 67890)
* 2 letters followed by 8 digits (e.g. AB 1234 6789)

**Table A1: Activity location and length**

| **Question** | **Answer** |
| --- | --- |
| **Name of watercourse** (e.g. Blue Burn, tributary of the River Clean) |  |
| **NGR Midpoint**(e.g. AB 12345 67890, AB 1234 6789) |  |
| **Length of channel modification** (m) |  |

## Section B - Variation of a registration

You can apply to add the activity specified in Section 1 to an existing registration only where the activities are connected.

If the activities are not connected, you must submit a separate application for each activity.

### B.1 Registration reference

Please provide the reference of the registration you wish to vary.

| **Registration reference** (e.g. EAS/R/1234, CAR/R/1234) |
| --- |
|  |

### B.2 Compliance with standard conditions

To apply for a variation of your registration, you must comply with all standard conditions associated with the activity. You can find the most up to date standard conditions on the relevant activity specific page on our website.

Please tick the box to confirm the following statement:

I confirm that the applicant has read, understood and is able to comply with the [ ]

standard conditions associated with the activity specified in Section 1.

### B.3 Activity location

Please provide the name, where known, of the watercourse, the National Grid Reference (NGR) of the midpoint for the activity and the length of channel modification in metres.

You can use our [SEPA NGR Tool](https://map.sepa.org.uk/ngrtool/) to find the NGR.

The NGR should be in one of these formats:

* 2 letters followed by 10 digits (e.g. AB 12345 67890)
* 2 letters followed by 8 digits (e.g. AB 1234 6789)

**Table B1: Activity location and length**

| **Question** | **Answer** |
| --- | --- |
| **Name of watercourse** (e.g. Blue Burn, tributary of the River Clean) |  |
| **NGR Midpoint**(e.g. AB 12345 67890, AB 1234 6789) |  |
| **Length of channel modification** (m) |  |

## Section C - Transfer of a registration

If the registration only authorises the type of activity specified in Section 1, you can use this form to transfer the whole registration and all the activities.

If the registration authorises multiple types of activities (different from the one specified in Section 1), you must submit a separate activity form for each type of activity you wish to transfer.

Activity forms are available on our [website](https://www.sepa.org.uk/easr).

### C.1 Registration reference

Please provide the reference of the registration you wish to transfer.

| **Registration reference** (e.g. EAS/R/1234, CAR/R/1234) |
| --- |
|  |

### C.2 Compliance with standard conditions

To transfer a registration in whole or in part, the transferee (proposed authorised person) must comply with all standard conditions associated with the activity. You can find the most up to date standard conditions on the relevant activity specific page on our website.

Please tick the box to confirm the following statement:

I confirm that the transferee (proposed authorised person) has read, understood [ ]  and is able to comply with the standard conditions associated with the activity

specified in Section 1.

### C.3 Transfer in whole or in part

Tick only one box to confirm the type of transfer you are applying for.

#### Transfer the whole registration [ ]

#### Note: If the registration authorises multiple types of activities, you must submit a separate

#### activity form for each type of activity to transfer the registration in whole.

#### Transfer part of the registration [ ]

#### The registration authorises multiple activities, and I am applying to transfer the activity specified in Section 1.

#### Transfer the whole registration

The registration authorises only the activity specified in Section 1. All the activities and associated authorised places in the registration will be transferred.

If the registration authorises multiple types of activities, you must submit a separate activity form for each type of activity to transfer the registration in whole.

#### Transfer part of the registration

Please provide details of authorised place for each activity you wish to transfer in Table C1.

The authorised place should be a single National Grid Reference (NGR) point(s) (e.g. AB 12345 67890, AB 1234 6789). Add more rows, if needed.

**Table C1: Activities to be transferred**

| **Activities to be transferred**  | **Authorised Place** (e.g. AB 12345 67890, AB 1234 6789) |
| --- | --- |
| **Activity 1** |  |
| **Activity 2** |  |
| **Activity 3** |  |