

Protect your property against overflows

To minimize internal sewage overflows, install an overflow relief gully so they occur outside the building.

Please follow these guidelines to ensure your overflow system is effective.

Unpaved: Set the top of the gully 150 millimeters below the internal finished floor level and 75 millimeters above the outside unpaved area ground level. (See Figure 1)

Paved: Set the top of the gully 150 millimeters below the internal finished floor level, and the top of the gully at a level that will stop water on the paved path from entering it. (See Figure 2)

In both cases, surrounding ground should be graded away from the building so overflows can't flow back towards the building.

If you are unable to do this, you may need to alter the paving, or install a reflux valve to your drain. A reflux valve stops sewage from the sewer entering your drain. It requires regular maintenance to ensure continuous operation and is recommended only when an overflow relief gully cannot be installed or meet these guidelines.

The sewerage system is not designed to take storm water

It is illegal to direct storm water from your roof or property into your sewage drain. The network is not designed to accommodate storm water. Additional water can cause overflows during heavy rain.

Contact a licensed plumber for advice and to install your overflow relief gully.

Fig 1. Unpaved Areas

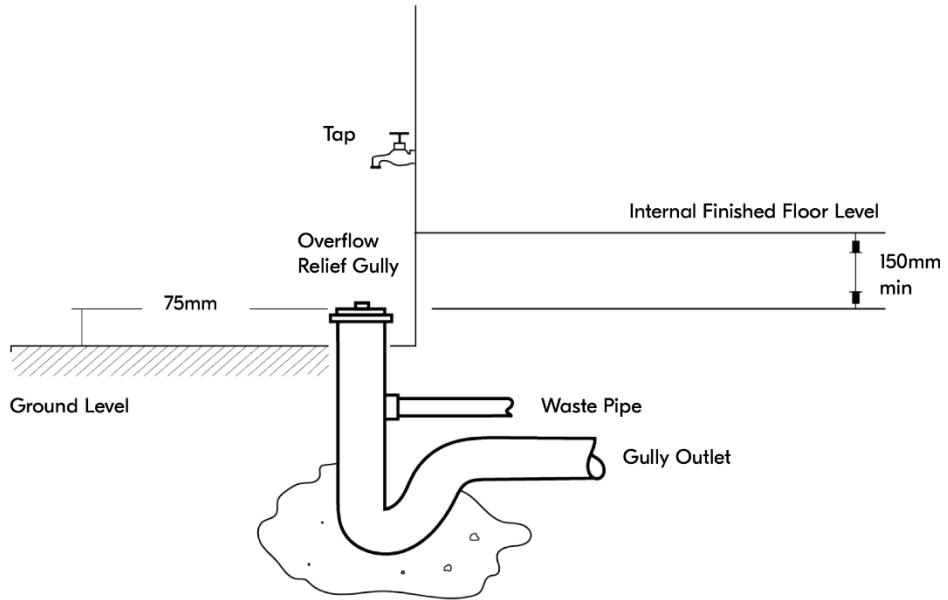


Fig 2. Paved Areas

