

4.5.2 Application and Review Process/WPC Permit Application Deadlines/ General Permit Application Deadlines

Applicability:

An outline of the statutory and regulatory deadlines and time frames related to general permit applications. General permits are NPDES permits.

Content:

The general permit application deadlines and application processing time frames are presented in several sections of the Code of State Regulations and the Clean Water Law.

The Construction and Operating Permits rule, at 10 CSR 20-6.010(13) presents the overall requirements related to general permits. However, application deadlines for a general operating permit are the same as the deadlines for a site-specific operating permit. That is:

1. For an original (first) general permit for a facility that had a valid construction permit and public notice process, the department should receive the application at least 30 days before the facility begins to receive wastewater. The department will issue or deny the permit within 60 days of receipt of the application. The facility cannot discharge unless an operating permit is in effect. This may require close coordination between the permittee and the department to ensure a valid permit is in place before the discharge begins.
2. The department should receive applications for an original general permit for a facility that did not require a construction permit at least 180 days in advance of the date that the facility begins to receive wastewater.
3. The department should receive an application for renewal of the general permit 180 days before the general permit is scheduled to expire. This will indicate that the facility wishes to remain under the general permit after it is re-issued.

State applications for a general permit fulfill the federal requirement to submit a Notice of Intent for coverage under the general permit as provided in 40 CFR 122.28(b)(2).

The Clean Water Law, in Section 644.051.13(1), requires the department to issue or deny a general permit within 60 days of the date that the department receives the application if public notice and a public participation process are not required. The 60-day application review and issuance time frame must be met or the department has to refund the application fee.

Legal References:

Missouri Clean Water Law, Chapter 644, RSMo

[644.051.13\(1\)](#) Prohibited acts--permits required, when, fee--bond required of permit holders, when--permit application procedures--rulemaking--limitation on use of permit fee moneys.

Code of State Regulations

[10 CSR 20-6.010\(5\)\(B\) and \(C\)](#) Construction and Operating Permits - Operating Permits (OP)
(B) Original OP Permitting Timeframes
(C) Renewal OP Permitting Timeframes

[10 CSR 20-6.010\(13\)](#)

Construction and Operating Permits - General Permits

Code of Federal Regulations

[40 CFR 122.28](#)

EPA Administered Programs: The NPDES - General permits, in particular 122.28(b)(2)

Other Links:

[3.3.2.3 Effective and Expiration Dates](#) (general permits)

[4.5.1 Site-Specific Permit Application Deadlines](#)

[4.5.3 Construction Permit Application Deadlines](#)

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