

**CHAPTER 26E****TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS  
FOR SITE REMEDIATION****Authority**

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**SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

**7:26E-1.1 Scope**

(a) This chapter constitutes the minimum technical requirements to investigate and remediate contamination at any site.

(b) Any remediation performed pursuant to this chapter shall not relieve any person from:

1. Complying with more stringent requirements or provisions imposed by any other Federal, State or local applicable statutes or regulations; or
2. Obtaining any and all permits required by State, Federal or local statute or regulation, except as expressly provided herein.

(c) No provision of this chapter shall be construed to limit the Department's authority to require additional remediation based upon site-specific conditions in order to protect human health and the environment.

(d) The Department's approval of any document pursuant to this chapter shall not be interpreted as an approval of any remediation costs eligible for reimbursement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-116, N.J.S.A. 58:10B-28, or any other law.

Amended by R.2003 d.198, effective May 19, 2003.  
See: 34 N.J.R. 3703(a), 35 N.J.R. 2319(a).

Added (d).

**7:26E-1.2 Liberal construction**

These rules, being necessary to promote the public health and welfare, shall be liberally construed in order to permit the Commissioner and the Department to effectuate the purposes of N.J.S.A. 13:1D-1 et seq., 13:1E-1 et seq., 13:1K-6 et seq., 58:10-23.11a et seq., 58:10A-1 et seq., and 58:10A-21 et seq.

**7:26E-1.3 Applicability**

(a) This chapter establishes the minimum technical requirements that form the basis of the Department's review of the remediation of any contaminated site in New Jersey, including, without limitation, those sites and activities subject to:

1. The Industrial Site Recovery Act (ISRA);
2. The New Jersey Underground Storage of Hazardous Substances Act (UST);
3. The Spill Compensation and Control Act;
4. The Solid Waste Management Act;
5. The Water Pollution Control Act;
6. The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA);
7. The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. §§ 9601 et seq.) (CERCLA); and
8. The Brownfield and Contaminated Site Remediation Act.

(b) Any person seeking Department review of work undertaken pursuant to this chapter shall:

1. Execute an oversight document with the Department pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26C;
2. Comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:26B; or
3. Comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:14B.

(c) The requirements of this chapter are applicable as follows:

1. For any site at which a particular phase of remediation was commenced prior to July 1, 1993, the Department shall evaluate such work to determine whether the work is in substantial compliance with this chapter, as originally adopted effective June 7, 1993 (see 25 N.J.R. 2881(b)), and therefore acceptable to the Department.