

New Rule, R.1991 d.109, effective March 4, 1991 (operative March 31, 1991).

See: 22 N.J.R. 292(a), 23 N.J.R. 723(a).

Amended by R.1992 d.102, effective March 2, 1992 (operative March 28, 1992).

See: 23 N.J.R. 1858(b), 24 N.J.R. 792(a).

Deleted references and fee schedule regarding mathematical combinations.

Amended by R.1994 d.502, effective October 3, 1994 (operative October 31, 1994).

See: 25 N.J.R. 3963(a), 25 N.J.R. 4836(a), 26 N.J.R. 793(a), 26 N.J.R. 3943(b).

Amended by R.1995 d.205, effective April 17, 1995.

See: 26 N.J.R. 3922(a), 27 N.J.R. 1576(b).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.11 and amended by R.1998 d.231, effective May 4, 1998 (operative June 12, 1998).

See: 29 N.J.R. 3521(a), 30 N.J.R. 1563(b).

Rewrote the section. Former N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.6, Denials, recodified to N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.14.

Amended by R.1999 d.428, effective December 6, 1999 (operative January 8, 2000).

See: 30 N.J.R. 4003(a), 31 N.J.R. 4016(a).

In the Base Fee Tables, changed Table 4 designation, inserted Table 4a designation and inserted Table 4b.

Amended by R.2002 d.53, effective February 4, 2002 (operative March 12, 2002).

See: 33 N.J.R. 3290(a), 34 N.J.R. 756(a).

In A. Base Fee Tables, rewrote Table 4, substituted "Part 4a" for "Table 4a", and "Part 4b" for "Table 4b".

Amended by R.2006 d.212, effective June 19, 2006 (operative June 30, 2006).

See: 37 N.J.R. 4728(a), 38 N.J.R. 2691(b).

Rewrote (a) and (b); reserved (c), (i) and (j); substituted "may be paid" for "shall be payable" in (e); in (f), substituted "all applicable fees" for "both a preconstruction permit application fee and an operating certificate fee," and inserted "and the Supplementary Fee Schedule"; in (h), inserted "credit card, Internet electronic checking," and "or" and deleted "or money order,"; inserted (l); in "A. Base Fee Tables", rewrote Tables 1 through 3 and deleted Tables 4 through 10; and rewrote "B. Supplementary Fee Schedule".

7:27-8.7 Operating certificates

(a) In order to operate a source covered by a preconstruction permit, the source shall also be covered by an operating certificate, which authorizes operation of the source. The preconstruction permit application form also serves as the application form for the operating certificate, and the Department shall issue the preconstruction permit and operating certificate simultaneously, combined in one document.

(b) To obtain an operating certificate or a temporary operating certificate (see (d) below), an applicant shall follow the procedures for applying for a permit and certificate under N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.4.

(c) An operating certificate (except for a temporary operating certificate issued under (d) below) expires five years after the date the preconstruction permit for the source was issued.

(d) In some cases, the Department needs information obtained while a source is operating, such as stack testing results, in order to issue a final operating certificate. In such a case, the Department shall issue one of the following two types of temporary operating certificates:

1. A 90 day temporary operating certificate, which is valid for 90 days and may be renewed by the Department one or more times; or

2. A continuing temporary operating certificate, which continues in effect until the earliest of the following triggering events:

i. The Department notifies the permittee that the operating certificate has been converted to a 90 day temporary operating certificate;

ii. The Department issues a conventional operating certificate for the source; or

iii. Five years has passed since the issuance of a preconstruction permit for the source.

(e) The operating certificate shall be renewed prior to its expiration if the source is to continue to operate. In order to ensure timely renewal of an operating certificate, the permittee shall renew the operating certificate in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.4(n).

(f) Before renewing an operating certificate, the Department may require testing to ensure compliance with State and Federal air pollution control requirements.

New Rule, R.1991 d.109, effective March 4, 1991 (operative March 31, 1991).

See: 22 N.J.R. 292(a), 23 N.J.R. 723(a).

Amended by R.1994 d.502, effective October 3, 1994 (operative October 31, 1994).

See: 25 N.J.R. 3963(a), 25 N.J.R. 4836(a), 26 N.J.R. 793(a), 26 N.J.R. 3943(b).

Repeal and New Rule, R.1998 d.231, effective May 4, 1998 (operative June 12, 1998).

See: 29 N.J.R. 3521(a), 30 N.J.R. 1563(b).

Former N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.7, Approvals, repealed.

Amended by R.2002 d.53, effective February 4, 2002 (operative March 12, 2002).

See: 33 N.J.R. 3290(a), 34 N.J.R. 756(a).

In (e), substituted "e-NJEMS" for "AIMS".

Amended by R.2006 d.212, effective June 19, 2006 (operative June 30, 2006).

See: 37 N.J.R. 4728(a), 38 N.J.R. 2691(b).

Rewrote (e).

7:27-8.8 General permits

(a) A general permit is a pre-approved permit and certificate which applies to a specific class of significant sources. By issuing a general permit pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:2C-9.2(h), the Department indicates that it approves the activities authorized by the general permit, provided that the owner or operator of the source registers with the Department and meets the requirements of the general permit. If a source belongs to a class of sources which qualify for a general permit, and the owner or operator of the source registers for the general permit and complies with this section, the registration satisfies the requirements at N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.3 for a permit and certificate.

(b) A general permit may not be used to cover a source which is subject to PSD requirements under 40 CFR 52.21, or

which is subject to emissions offsets requirements under N.J.A.C. 7:27-18.

(c) A general permit is available for the following sources:

1. One or more tanks and/or pumps used for storing and/or pumping gasoline, diesel fuel, or kerosene, located at a single service station (retail or non-retail), if the station:

- i. Receives gasoline, diesel fuel, or kerosene from a delivery vessel and puts it into a stationary storage tank;
- ii. Transfers gasoline from a storage tank into a gasoline vapor laden fuel tank;
- iii. Has Stage 1 vapor recovery equipment which complies with N.J.A.C. 7:27-16.3 on all gasoline tanks at the station; and
- iv. Has Stage 2 vapor recovery equipment which complies with N.J.A.C. 7:27-16 on all gasoline pumps at the station;

2. One or more pieces of woodworking equipment, located at the same facility, where all air contaminant emissions from the equipment are captured and vented to a particulate control apparatus with a minimum removal efficiency of 99 percent;

3. A single boiler with a maximum rated heat input of less than 10 million BTUs per hour, combusting natural gas, number 2 commercial fuel oil, propane, diesel or kerosene (and no other fuels);

4. A single emergency generator which operates no more than 500 hours per year, and which has a maximum rated heat input that is less than or equal to 15 million BTU per hour (generating approximately 1.5 megawatts of electricity) when the generator combusts diesel fuel, number 2 fuel oil or kerosene, or 40 million BTU per hour (generating approximately 4.0 megawatts of electricity) when the generator combusts natural gas or propane;

5. A bulk solid materials receiving and storage system, which uses pneumatic or mechanical conveying, where all particulate air contaminant emissions are captured and vented to a particulate control apparatus with a minimum removal efficiency of 99 percent;

6. One or more pieces of enclosed abrasive blasting equipment, located at the same facility, where all particulate air contaminant emissions from the equipment are captured and vented to a particulate control apparatus with a minimum removal efficiency of 99 percent;

7. A stationary storage tank which:

- i. Does not have a floating roof;
- ii. Has a maximum capacity of 300,000 gallons; and
- iii. Is used for storing VOC's with a vapor pressure within the applicable limit below:

(1) If the tank has a maximum capacity of 20,000 gallons or less, vapor pressure shall be less than 11.1 psia (pounds per square inch absolute) at 70 degrees Fahrenheit;

(2) If the tank has a maximum capacity of more than 20,000 gallons but less than or equal to 40,000 gallons, vapor pressure shall be less than 4.0 psia at 70 degrees Fahrenheit; or

(3) If the tank has a maximum capacity of more than 40,000 gallons but less than or equal to 300,000 gallons, less than .75 psia at 70 degrees Fahrenheit;

8. A soil vapor extraction system or a groundwater air stripping system used for the remediation of a gasoline-contaminated vehicle fueling station at one of the following types of locations:

- i. A current or former gasoline retail station;
- ii. A municipal, county or State garage;
- iii. A police or fire department;
- iv. A commercial or industrial site; or
- v. A property adjacent to an approved remediation site, provided the remediation activities are relevant to the adjacent property and are conducted concurrently with the remediation activities of the approved site;

9. A single or multiple external combustion unit with a maximum rated heat input of less than 10 million BTUs per hour, firing natural gas, propane, kerosene, diesel oil, or number 2 fuel oil (no other fuels); and

10. One or more of any combination of non-HAP VOCs solvent degreasers of the following types:

- i. Cold cleaning machines that use a VOC solvent with a vapor pressure of less than 0.02 Psi (1 mm Hg) at 20 degrees centigrade (68 degrees Fahrenheit);
- ii. Heated cleaning machines that use a VOC solvent with a vapor pressure of less than 0.02 Psi (1 mm Hg) at 20 degrees centigrade (68 degrees Fahrenheit);
- iii. Batch vapor cleaning machines;
- iv. In-line (conveyorized) vapor cleaning machines; or

11. A single or multiple boiler(s) and other indirect fired external combustion equipment with a maximum heat input capacity of greater than or equal to 10 million BTU per hour and less than 50 million BTU per hour, firing natural gas, propane, kerosene, diesel oil or no. 2 fuel oil exclusively, or firing natural gas or propane with limited back-up of kerosene, diesel oil, or no. 2 fuel oil;

12. Equipment located at a dry cleaning facility that uses 150 gallons or less of perchloroethylene (PERC) per 12-month period if the equipment is:

Public Notice: General Permit (GP-010) for Degreasing Operations Using Non-HAP Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs).

See: 35 N.J.R. 3966(b).

Public Notice: Draft General Permits comment opportunity.

See: 35 N.J.R. 5308(c).

Administrative change.

See: 36 N.J.R. 183(a), 184(a), 1790(d), 3076(a).

Public Notice: Draft General Permits comment opportunity.

See: 36 N.J.R. 3303(b), 3303(c), 3304(a).

Administrative change.

See: 36 N.J.R. 4511(a), 4512(a), 4513(a).

Public Notice: Small Emitter General Air Permit (SEGAP)(GP-016).

See: 36 N.J.R. 4544(a).

Public Notice: Draft General Permit (GP-015) for Non-MACT Plating Operations.

See: 37 N.J.R. 142(a).

Administrative change.

See: 37 N.J.R. 4436(a), 4911(a).

Public Notice: Draft General Permit (GP-020) for Research and Development.

See: 38 N.J.R. 343(a).

Public Notice: Air Quality Permitting: Opportunity for Public Comment on Revised General Permit (GP-005) for Emergency Generators.

See: 38 N.J.R. 1351(a).

Amended by R.2006 d.212, effective June 19, 2006 (operative June 30, 2006).

See: 37 N.J.R. 4728(a), 38 N.J.R. 2691(b).

Inserted "of" after "instructions for the use" in (g).

Administrative change.

See: 38 N.J.R. 2798(b).

Public Notice: Announcement of Revised General Permit GP-008.

See: 38 N.J.R. 2799(a).

7:27-8.9 Environmental improvement pilot tests

(a) A person may seek approval for a preconstruction permit and certificate for an environmental improvement pilot test, as defined at N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.1, of air pollution control equipment or other environmental clean-up equipment under this section.

(b) An applicant for an environmental improvement pilot test shall ensure that the equipment shall comply with all applicable requirements, and that the activities shall not cause impacts outside the property boundary.

(c) An applicant for an environmental improvement pilot test approval shall submit the application on a form obtained from the Department at the address in N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.4(b). The application shall meet the requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.4, and shall include information regarding the planned sampling, analysis, equipment or processes, potential environmental impacts, the length of time requested for the test, projected emission rates, and any other information necessary for the Department to ensure that the proposed activities fit within the definition of an environmental improvement pilot test at N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.1.

(d) The Department shall take final action on the application within 30 days of its receipt of a complete application.

(e) The Department shall determine the term of a permit and certificate for an environmental improvement pilot test approval on a case-by-case basis, but in no case shall the approval last longer than 90 days from the start of the actions covered by the environmental improvement pilot test approval. If the permittee wishes to extend the pilot test for

90 or fewer days, the permittee shall submit a new application for a preconstruction permit and operating certificate for an environmental improvement pilot test to the Department. The Department shall approve this application only if the applicant demonstrates that continued testing of the equipment or process is needed, and that the proposed activities remain within the definition of an environmental improvement pilot test at N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.1.

(f) The fee for an environmental improvement pilot test is set forth at N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.6.

(g) The holder of an environmental improvement pilot test approval shall keep records of product run time, emission testing performed, and other data relevant to the emission of air contaminants. These records shall be kept for a minimum of five years, and any relevant data obtained must be submitted with any future application covering the source.

(h) Upon completion of the environmental improvement pilot test, the equipment involved shall cease operating, or shall return to operating under the conditions of the existing permit, if any. An environmental improvement pilot test approval does not constitute Departmental acceptance of equipment or a process for future production purposes.

New Rule, R.1998 d.231, effective May 4, 1998 (operative June 12, 1998).

See: 29 N.J.R. 3521(a), 30 N.J.R. 1563(b).

Former N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.9, Reporting requirements, recodified to N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.15.

Amended by R.2006 d.212, effective June 19, 2006 (operative June 30, 2006).

See: 37 N.J.R. 4728(a), 38 N.J.R. 2691(b).

In (e), deleted "The approval may be renewed by application", added "If the permittee ... pilot test" and substituted "approve this application" for "renew the environmental improvement pilot test approval".

7:27-8.10 Public comment

(a) The Department shall seek comments from the general public prior to making any final decision on those applications for which such comment is required by State or Federal statutes. Such applications include, but are not limited to, those applications which:

1. Are subject to the PSD requirements published at 40 CFR 52;
2. Must be submitted to the EPA for approval as revisions to any state implementation plan; or
3. Are subject to emissions offset requirements under N.J.A.C. 7:27-18.

(b) The Commissioner of the Department may seek comments from the public whenever the Commissioner finds a significant degree of public interest in an application, or whenever the Commissioner determines such comments might clarify one or more issues involved in the decision on the application. In determining whether to seek or accept public comment, the Commissioner shall consider factors relevant to the subject application and the applicable requirements. These factors may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. The extent of any emissions increase;
2. The impact of any emissions increase on ambient air quality, human health and welfare, and the environment;
3. The applicant's record of compliance with air pollution control requirements;
4. Any other air pollution control aspects of the application or facility which might make the application of particular interest to the public.

(c) The Department shall notify those who submitted a written request for public comment of the Commissioner's decision regarding their request. The Commissioner's notification shall be in writing, and if the decision is a denial, the notification shall include a discussion of the factors in (b) above, as well as a description of all other factors which formed the basis for the decision.

New Rule, R.1991 d.109, effective March 4, 1991 (operative March 31, 1991).

See: 22 N.J.R. 292(a), 23 N.J.R. 723(a).

Old section recodified to 8.6.

Amended by R.1994 d.502, effective October 3, 1994 (operative October 31, 1994).

See: 25 N.J.R. 3963(a), 25 N.J.R. 4836(a), 26 N.J.R. 793(a), 26 N.J.R. 3943(b).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.5 and amended by R.1998 d.231, effective May 4, 1998 (operative June 12, 1998).

See: 29 N.J.R. 3521(a), 30 N.J.R. 1563(b).

Rewrote the section. Former N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.10, Revocation, recodified to N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.16.

7:27-8.11 Standards for issuing a permit

(a) To obtain approval of a permit and certificate, a permit revision, or a compliance plan change, an applicant shall document that: