

1 15A NCAC 2H .0219 has been amended with changes as published in 10:14 NCR 1325-1336 as follows:

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3 **.0219 MINIMUM DESIGN REQUIREMENTS**

- 4 (a) All facilities requiring a permit pursuant to this Section shall be designed following good engineering
5 practice. The plans and specifications for all projects must be sealed by a Professional Engineer. The
6 only exceptions from the Professional Engineer requirement are those allowed in Rule .0205 (d)(1)(A)
7 (iii) of this Section.
- 8 (b) Waste, including treated waste, shall not be placed directly into, or in contact with, GA classified
9 groundwater unless such placement will not result in a contravention of GA groundwater standards, as
10 demonstrated by predictive calculations or modeling methods acceptable to the Director.
- 11 (c) Impoundments, trenches or other excavations made for the purpose of storing or treating waste will not
12 be excavated into bedrock unless the placement of waste into such excavations will not result in a
13 contravention of assigned standards, as demonstrated by predictive calculations or modeling methods
14 acceptable to the Director.
- 15 (d) The bottoms of earthen impoundments, trenches or other similar excavations with the exception of
16 nitrification fields, infiltration systems, and sewer line excavations shall be at least four feet above the
17 bedrock surface, except that the bottom of excavations which are less than four feet above bedrock shall
18 have a liner with a hydraulic conductivity no greater than 1×10^{-7} centimeters per second. Liner
19 thickness will be that thickness necessary to achieve a leakage rate consistent with the sensitivity of
20 classified groundwaters. Separation distances or liner requirements may be reduced if it can be
21 demonstrated by predictive calculations or modeling methods acceptable to the Director, that construction
22 and use of these treatment and disposal units will not result in contravention of assigned standards.
- 23 (e) Waste shall not be applied or discharged onto or below the land surface when the vertical separation
24 between the waste and the seasonal high water table is less than one foot. If the area is to be utilized for
25 industrial waste and has a separation of less than three feet, and in other areas as designated by the
26 Director, a demonstration must be made using predictive calculations or modeling methods, acceptable
27 to the Director, that such placement will not result in contravention of classified groundwater standards.
- 28 (f) Treatment works and disposal systems utilizing earthen basins, lagoons, ponds or trenches, excluding
29 nitrification fields, infiltration systems, and holding ponds containing non-industrial treated effluent prior
30 to spray irrigation, for treatment, storage or disposal shall have either a liner of natural material at least
31 one foot in thickness and having a hydraulic conductivity of no greater than 1×10^{-6} centimeters per
32 second when compacted, or a synthetic liner of sufficient thickness to exhibit structural integrity and an
33 effective hydraulic conductivity no greater than that of the natural material liner.
- 34 (g) Except as otherwise provided by these requirements or by terms of a permit, all waste treatment, storage

1 and disposal facilities must maintain and operate a groundwater monitoring system as approved by the
2 Division. The monitoring system must be designed to assess the impact of any discharge on the quality
3 of the underlying groundwaters and must be based on the results of the hydrogeologic investigation.

4 (h) For pumping stations:

- 5 (1) no by-pass or overflow lines;
6 (2) multiple pumps shall be provided capable of pumping at a rate of 2.5 times the average daily flow
7 rate with any one pump out of service. Pump-on/Pump-off elevations shall be set such that 2-8
8 pumping cycles per hour may be achieved in the pump station at average flow. If extended detention
9 times are necessary due to phased development, the need for odor and corrosion control must be
10 evaluated by the applicant;

11 (3) at least one of the following shall be required:

- 12 (A) dual source or standby power supply on site or;
13 (B) telemetry systems with sufficient numbers of standby generators and personnel for distribution
14 or;
15 (C) approval by the Director that the pump station:
16 (i) serves a private water distribution system which has automatic shut-off at power failure
17 and no elevated water storage tanks, and
18 (ii) has sufficient storage capacity that no potential for overflow exists, and
19 (iii) is connected to facilities that can tolerate septic wastewater due to prolonged detention or;
20 (D) where the waters that would be impacted by a power failure are classified as C, the applicant
21 may be allowed to show a history of power reliability that would demonstrate that an alternative
22 power source or other reliability measures would not be needed.

- 23 (4) screened vents for all wet wells;
24 (5) high water audio and visual alarms;
25 (6) protection from a 100 year flood;
26 (7) restricted access to the site and ~~equipment~~ equipment;
27 (8) all-weather roadway to the ~~site~~; site.

28 (i) For sewer systems and sewer system extensions:

- 29 (1) All building drains and building sewers which are approved by the local building inspector in
30 accordance with the North Carolina Building Code are deemed to be permitted by the Environmental
31 Management Commission;
32 (2) All sewers shall be designed based upon at least minimum standards which include:
33 (A) wastewater flow rate at design loading should result in the sewer flowing approximately half
34 full. The sewer must also be evaluated as to its ability to carry peak loadings;

- 1 (B) a velocity of two feet per second;
- 2 (C) construction and operation shall not result in water pollution;
- 3 (D) infiltration rate limited to 100 gallons per day per inch of pipe diameter per mile of pipe;
- 4 (E) construction and operation consistent with all applicable local ordinances;
- 5 (F) for public gravity sewers, a minimum eight inch diameter pipe and for private gravity sewers,
- 6 a minimum six inch diameter pipe;
- 7 (G) minimum separations
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| 8 (i) Storm sewers (vertical) | 12 inches |
| 9 (ii) Water mains (vertical-water over sewer) | 18 inches |
| 10 or (horizontal) | 10 feet |
| 11 (iii) In benched trenches (vertical) | 18 inches |
| 12 (iv) Any private or public water supply | |
| 13 source, including any WS-I waters or | |
| 14 Class I or Class II impounded reservoirs | |
| 15 used as a source of drinking water | 100 feet |
| 16 (v) Waters classified WS-II, WS-III, B, SA, ORW, HQW, or | |
| 17 SB [from normal high water (or tide elevation)] | 50 feet |
| 18 (vi) Any other stream, lake or impoundment | 10 feet |
| 19 (vii) Any building foundation | 5 feet |
| 20 (viii) Any basement | 10 feet |
| 21 (ix) Top slope of embankment or cuts of | |
| 22 2 feet or more vertical height | 10 feet |
| 23 (x) Drainage systems | |
| 24 (I) Interceptor drains | 5 feet |
| 25 (II) Ground water lowering and | |
| 26 surface drainage ditches | 10 feet |
| 27 (xi) Any swimming pool | 10 feet |
| 28 (xii) Ferrous sewer pipe with joints equivalent to water main standards, shall be used where | |
| 29 these minimum separations cannot be maintained. The minimum separation shall however | |
| 30 not be less than 25 feet from a private well or 50 ft from a public water supply well. | |
| 31 (H) three feet minimum cover shall be provided for all sewers unless ferrous material pipe is | |
| 32 specified. Ferrous material pipe or other pipe with proper bedding to develop design supporting | |
| 33 strength shall be provided where sewers are subject to traffic bearing loads; | |
| 34 (I) the maximum separation between manholes shall be 425 feet unless written documentation is | |

1 submitted with the application that the owner/authority has the capability to perform routine
 2 cleaning and maintenance on the sewer at the specified manhole separation;
 3 (J) drop manholes shall be provided where invert separations exceed 2.5 feet;
 4 (K) manholes shall be designed for 100-year flood protection;
 5 (L) an air relief valve shall be provided at all high points along force mains;
 6 (M) odor and corrosion control must be satisfactorily addressed by the applicant for all sewers and
 7 force mains with extended travel times.

8 (j) For treatment works and disposal systems:

- 9 (1) no by-pass or overflow lines;
- 10 (2) multiple pumps if pumps are used;
- 11 (3) at least one of the following:
 - 12 (A) dual source/dual feed or automatically activated standby power supply on site, capable of
 - 13 powering all essential treatment components under design conditions or,
 - 14 (B) approval by the Director that the facility:
 - 15 (i) serves a private water distribution system which has automatic shut-off at power failure
 - 16 and no elevated water storage tanks, and
 - 17 (ii) has sufficient storage capacity that no potential for overflow exists, and
 - 18 (iii) can tolerate septic wastewater due to prolonged detention; or
 - 19 (C) where the waters that would be impacted by a power failure are classified as C Waters, the
 - 20 applicant may be allowed to show a history of power reliability that would demonstrate that
 - 21 an alternative power source or other reliability measures would not be needed.

- 22 (4) protection from 100 year flood;
- 23 (5) buffer zones of at least the following distances, and greater where necessary to comply with Section
- 24 2H .0400 of this Subchapter or to address particular site or waste characteristics:

25 (A) Any habitable residence or place of public assembly under separate ownership or which is to	
26 be sold:	
27 (i) for spray irrigation systems (application	
28 area) not covered by 2H .0219(k)	400 feet
29 (ii) for surface residual application	400 feet
30 (iii) for subsurface residual injection	200 feet
31 (iv) for facultative lagoons	400 feet
32 (v) for activated sludge plants or	
33 surface sand filters	100 feet
34 (vi) for soil remediation sites	100 feet

1	(B) Any private or public water supply source	100 feet
2	(C) Streams classified as WS or B:	
3	(i) for subsurface disposal	50 feet
4	(ii) for non-discharge surface disposal	
5	except for high rate infiltration systems	100 feet
6	(iii) high rate infiltration systems	200 feet
7	(D) Waters classified SA or SB:	
8	(i) all systems except for high rate infiltration systems	100 feet
9	from	mean
10		high water
11	(ii) high rate infiltration systems	200 feet
12		from
13		mean
14		high water
15	(E) Any other stream, canal, marsh, or coastal waters <u>waters</u> :	
16	(i) for subsurface disposal	50 feet
17	(ii) for non-discharge surface disposal	
18	except for high rate infiltration systems	100 feet
19	(iii) high rate infiltration systems	200 feet
20	(iv) wastewater treatment facilities	50 feet
21	(F) Any Class I or Class II impounded reservoir used as a source of	
22	drinking water <u>water</u> :	
23	(i) all systems except for high rate infiltration systems	100 feet
24		from normal
25		high water
26	(ii) high rate infiltration systems	200 feet
27		from normal
28		high water
29	(G) Any other lake or impoundment:	
30	(i) for subsurface disposal	50 feet
31	(ii) for surface disposal except for high rate infiltration systems	100 feet
32	(iii) high rate infiltration systems	200 feet
33	(H) Any building foundation except treatment facilities:	
34	(i) for subsurface disposal	10 feet

1	(ii) for surface disposal	15 feet
2	(I) Any basement <u>basement</u> :	
3	(i) for subsurface disposal	15 feet
4	(ii) for surface disposal	15 feet
5	(J) Any property line <u>line</u> :	
6	(i) for spray irrigation	150 feet
7	(ii) for other surface disposal systems	50 feet
8	(iii) for subsurface residuals injection	50 feet
9	(iv) for other surface treatment systems	50 feet
10	(v) for other subsurface systems	50 feet
11	(vi) for soil remediation sites	50 feet
12	(K) Top of slope of embankments or cuts of two feet or more in vertical	
13	height <u>height</u> :	
14	(i) for systems other than rapid	
15	infiltration systems	15 feet
16	(ii) for rapid infiltration systems	100 feet
17	(L) Any water line from a disposal system	10 feet
18	(M) Drainage systems (Ditches, drains, surface water diversions, etc):	
19	(i) Interceptor drains and surface water diversions (upslope)	
20	(upslope) <u>(upslope)</u> :	
21	(I) for subsurface disposal	10 feet
22	(II) for surface disposal other than spray irrigation systems and	
23	rapid infiltration systems	10 feet
24	(III) for spray irrigation systems	100 feet
25	(IV) for rapid infiltration systems	200 feet
26	(ii) Interceptor drains and surface water diversions (downslope)	
27	(downslope) <u>(downslope)</u> :	
28	(I) for subsurface disposal	25 feet
29	(II) for surface disposal other than spray irrigation systems and	
30	rapid infiltration systems	25 feet
31	(III) for spray irrigation systems	100 feet
32	(IV) for rapid infiltration systems	200 feet
33	(iii) Groundwater lowering and surface drainage ditches <u>ditches</u> :	
34	(I) for subsurface disposal	25 feet

- 1 (II) for surface disposal other than spray irrigation and
- 2 rapid infiltration systems 25 feet
- 3 (III) for spray irrigation systems 100 feet
- 4 (IV) for rapid infiltration systems 200 feet
- 5 (N) Any swimming ~~pool pool~~;
- 6 (i) for subsurface disposal 15 feet
- 7 (ii) for surface disposal 100 feet
- 8 (O) Any other nitrification field (except repair area) 20 feet
- 9 (P) Any well with the exception of an approved groundwater monitoring
- 10 well 100 feet
- 11 (Q) Public right-of-way surface disposal 50 feet
- 12 (6) flow equalization of at least 25 percent of the facilities permitted hydraulic capacity must be provided
- 13 for all seasonal or resort facilities and all other facilities with fluctuations in influent flow which may
- 14 adversely affect the performance of the system;
- 15 (7) preparation of an operational management plan, including restricted access to the site and equipment,
- 16 and, if appropriate, a crop management plan;
- 17 (8) except for facilities for single family residences or as approved by the Director, appropriate
- 18 monitoring wells designed to assess the impacts on the groundwater of any discharge and constructed
- 19 in accordance with Section 2C .0100 of this Chapter;
- 20 (9) a minimum of 30 days of residual holding must be provided.

21 (k) For Use of Reclaimed Water: Land Application of Domestic Wastewater on Golf Courses and Other
 22 Public Access Areas: It is the intent of the Commission to encourage the beneficial use of the state's
 23 water resources concurrent with the protection of public health and the environment.

- 26 (1) The following are requirements for use of reclaimed domestic or municipal water:
- 27 (A) Where reuse is the only managed option utilized (e.g., reuse option such as spray
- 28 irrigation alone):
- 29 (i) ~~(1)~~ Aerated flow equalization facilities with a capacity based upon either a
- 30 representative diurnal hydrograph or of at least 25 percent of the daily system
- 31 design flow.
- 32 (ii) ~~(2)~~ All essential treatment units shall be provided in duplicate.
- 33 (iii) ~~(3)~~ The treatment process shall produce an effluent with a monthly average TSS of
- 34 less than 5 mg/l and a daily maximum TSS of less than 10 mg/l and a maximum

1 geometric mean fecal coliform level of less than 5/100 ml, prior to discharge to
2 a five day detention the irrigation pond.

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5 The treatment process shall produce a tertiary quality effluent (filtered or
6 equivalent) prior to discharge to the irrigation pond with the following quality:

- 7 (I) a monthly average TSS of less than or equal to 5 mg/l and a daily
8 maximum TSS of less than or equal to 10 mg/l;
9 (II) monthly geometric mean fecal coliform level of less than or equal to
10 14/100 ml and a daily maximum fecal coliform of less than or equal to
11 25/100 ml;
12 (III) a monthly average BOD₅ of less than or equal to 10 mg/l and a daily
13 maximum BOD₅ of less than or equal to 15 mg/l;
14 (IV) a monthly average NH₃ of less than or equal to 4 mg/l and a daily
15 maximum NH₃ of less than or equal to 6 mg/l.

16 (iv) Continuous on-line monitoring and recording for turbidity or particle count and
17 flow shall be provided prior to discharge to the irrigation pond.

18 (v) Effluent from the treatment facility shall be discharged to a five-day side-stream
19 detention pond if either the turbidity exceeds 10 NTU or if the fecal coliform
20 levels cannot be met. The facility must have the ability to return the effluent
21 back to the treatment facility or otherwise meet the effluent requirements prior to
22 discharge to the irrigation pond.

23 (vi) (4) There must be no public access to the wastewater treatment facility or the
24 five-day detention pond. There shall be a 50 foot buffer from the five day
25 side-stream detention pond to property lines. The five day side-stream detention
26 pond shall have either a liner of natural material at least one foot in thickness
27 and having a hydraulic conductivity of no greater than 1×10^{-6} centimeters per
28 second when compacted, or a synthetic liner of sufficient thickness to exhibit
29 structural integrity and an effective hydraulic conductivity no greater than that
30 required of the natural material liner. Liner requirements of the five day
31 side-stream detention pond or separation distances between the bottom of the five
32 day side-stream detention pond and the groundwater table may be reduced if it
33 can be demonstrated by predictive calculations or modeling methods acceptable
34 to the Director, that construction and use of the five day side-stream detention

1 pond will not result in contravention of assigned groundwater standards at the
2 compliance boundary.

3 ~~(vii) (5)~~ The size of any irrigation pond, that follows the five day ~~detention holding~~ pond,
4 shall be justified using a mass water balance based upon a recent 25 year period
5 utilizing monthly average precipitation data, potential evapotranspiration and soil
6 drainage data that are available from, or are representative of, the area involved.
7 ~~for worse case conditions of record. There shall be a 50 foot buffer from the~~
8 ~~irrigation pond to property lines. No liners or minimum separation between the~~
9 ~~bottom of the irrigation pond and the groundwater table will be required if it can~~
10 ~~be demonstrated by predictive calculations or modeling methods acceptable to~~
11 ~~the Director, that construction and use of the irrigation pond will not result in~~
12 ~~contravention of assigned groundwater standards at the compliance boundary.~~

13 ~~(viii) (6)~~ An automatically activated standby power source or other means to prevent
14 improperly treated wastewater from entering the ~~five-day detention~~ irrigation
15 pond shall be provided.

16 ~~(7) Requirements for the lining of the five-day detention and irrigation ponds, which~~
17 ~~may include use of impervious natural materials, shall be site specific.~~

18 ~~(ix)~~ There shall be a certified operator of a grade equivalent or greater than the
19 facility classification on call 24 hours/day.

20 ~~(8)~~ In the design of the sprinkler system, there shall be no direct cross-connections
21 to ~~a potable water supply (includes no spigots on the distribution system).~~

22 ~~(9)~~ The rate of application shall be site specific.

23 ~~(10)~~ There shall be a 50 foot vegetative buffer zone between the edge of spray
24 influence and the nearest dwelling.

25 ~~(11)~~ Signs shall be posted at the proshop stating that the course is irrigated with
26 treated wastewater.

27 ~~(12)~~ There shall be a certified operator of a class equivalent to the class facility on
28 call 24 hours/day.

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30 Where reuse is utilized in combination with
31 other managed wastewater options (e.g., reuse options and discharge via National
32 Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit):

33 (i) Aerated flow equalization facilities with a capacity based upon either a
34 representative diurnal hydrograph or at least 25 percent of the daily system

1 design flow.

2 (ii) All essential treatment units shall be provided in duplicate.

3 (iii) The treatment process shall produce a tertiary quality effluent (filtered or
4 equivalent)

5 prior to reuse with the following quality:

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7 (I) a monthly average TSS of less than or equal to 5 mg/l and a daily
8 maximum TSS of less than or equal to 10 mg/l;

9 (II) a monthly geometric mean fecal coliform level of less than or equal to
10 14/100 ml and a daily maximum fecal coliform of less than or equal to
11 25/100 ml;

12 (III) a monthly average BOD₅ of less than or equal to 10 mg/l and a daily
13 maximum BOD₅ of less than or equal to 15 mg/l;

14 (IV) a monthly average NH₃ of less than or equal to 4 mg/l and a daily
15 maximum NH₃ of less than or equal to 6 mg/l;

16 (iv) Continuous on-line monitoring and recording for turbidity or particle count
17 and flow shall be provided prior to reuse.

18 (v) Effluent from the treatment facility shall not be discharged to the reuse
19 distribution system if either the turbidity exceeds 10 NTU or if the fecal coliform
20 levels cannot be met. The facility must have the ability to return the effluent
21 back to the treatment facility or otherwise meet the effluent requirements prior
22 to final disposition.

23 (vi) An automatically activated standby power source or other means to prevent
24 improperly treated wastewater from entering the reuse distribution system shall
25 be provided.

26 (vii) There shall be a certified operator of a grade equivalent or greater than the
27 facility classification on call 24 hours/day.

28 (viii) No storage facilities are required as long as it can be demonstrated that other
29 permitted disposal options are available if the reclaimed water cannot be
30 completely utilized.

31 (C) Specific requirements for use of reclaimed domestic or municipal water;

32 (i) Reclaimed water for land application to areas intended to be accessible to the
33 public such as residential lawns, golf courses, cemeteries, parks, school grounds,
34 industrial or commercial site grounds, landscape areas, highway medians.

roadways and other similar areas:

(I) The rate of application shall be site-specific and shall be in accordance with the recommendations of either a soil scientist, agronomist or an individual with at least three years experience in the comprehensive evaluation of soils. The application rate may take both the maximum soil absorption and water needs of the receiving crop into consideration.

(II) Notification shall be provided to inform the public of the use of reclaimed water (Non Potable Water) and that the reclaimed water is not intended for drinking.

(III) The compliance boundary and the review boundary for groundwater shall be established at the property boundary. No buffer between the application area and property lines shall be required. No deed restrictions or easements will be required to be filed on adjacent properties. Land application of effluents must be on property controlled by the generator unless a contractual agreement is provided.

(IV) There shall be a 100 foot buffer from the edge of spray influence and any surface waters classified SA, including wetlands as delineated and designated by the appropriate state or federal agency. There shall be a 25 foot buffer from the edge of spray influence and any surface waters not classified SA, including wetlands as delineated and designated by the appropriate state or federal agency or any swimming pool.

(V) There shall be a 100 foot buffer from the edge of spray influence and any water supply well. There shall be a 10 foot buffer from the edge of spray influence and any nonpotable well.

(VI) Complete plans and specifications for the entire system, including treatment, storage, application, and distribution facilities shall be required in accordance with Rule .0205(d)(7) of this Section. Treatment works previously permitted will not need to be shown unless they are directly tied into the new units or are critical to the understanding of the complete

process.

(VII) A city, county, municipal or other governmental entity that provides reclaimed water to an approved distribution system may submit a program description for local approval of irrigation systems. The program submission shall consist of design guidance, cross-connection prevention, customer education, loading rate determination procedures and a complete description of how the program will be managed.

(ii) Reclaimed water for industrial purposes such as process water or cooling water, aesthetic purposes such as decorative ponds or fountains, fire fighting or extinguishing, dust control, soil compaction for construction purposes, street cleaning, vehicle washing and other similar reuse options. Notification shall be provided to inform employees or the public of the use of reclaimed water (Non Potable Water) in these systems and that the water is not intended for drinking.

(iii) Reclaimed water used for urinal and toilet flushing or fire protection in sprinkler systems located in commercial or industrial facilities can be approved by the department if the applicant can demonstrate that public health and the environment will be protected.

(iv) Reclaimed water shall not be used for irrigation of direct food chain crops.

(v) Reclaimed water shall not be used for swimming pools, hot-tubs, spas or similar uses.

(vi) Reclaimed water shall not be used for direct reuse as a raw potable water supply.

(D) The following are requirements for domestic or municipal reuse systems that distribute reclaimed water:

(i) All reclaimed water valves, storage facilities and outlets shall be tagged or labeled to warn the public or employees that the water is not intended for drinking. Where appropriate, such warning shall inform the public or employees to avoid contact with the water.

(ii) All reclaimed water piping, valves, outlets and other appurtenances shall be color-coded, taped, or otherwise marked to identify the source of the water as being reclaimed water.

(I) All reclaimed water piping and appurtenances shall be either colored purple (Pantone 522) and embossed or integrally stamped or marked "CAUTION: RECLAIMED WATER - DO NOT DRINK" or be installed with a purple (Pantone 522) identification tape or polyethylene vinyl wrap. The warning

1 shall be stamped on opposite sides of the pipe and repeated every 3 feet or
2 less.

3 (II) Identification tape shall be at least 3 inches wide and have white or black
4 lettering on purple (Pantone 522) field stating "CAUTION: RECLAIMED
5 WATER - DO NOT DRINK". Identification tape shall be installed on top
6 of reclaimed water pipelines, fastened at least every 10 feet to each pipe
7 length and run continuously the entire length of the pipe.

8 (III) Existing underground distribution systems retrofitted for the purpose of
9 distributing reclaimed water shall be taped or otherwise identified as in
10 Subpart (I) or (II) of this Paragraph. This identification need not extend
11 the entire length of the distribution system but shall be incorporated within
12 10 feet of crossing any potable water supply line or sanitary sewer line.

13 (iii) All reclaimed water valves and outlets shall be of a type, or secured in a
14 manner, that permits operation by authorized personnel only.

15 (iv) Above ground hose bibs (spigots or other hand operated connections) shall not
16 be present. Hose bibs shall be located in locked, below grade vaults which shall
17 be clearly labeled as being of nonpotable quality. As an alternative to the use
18 of locked, below grade vaults with standard hose bib services, hose bibs which
19 can only be operated by a special tool may be placed in nonlockable underground
20 service boxes clearly labeled as nonpotable water.

21 (v) Tank Trucks

22 (I) Tank trucks and other equipment used to distribute reclaimed water shall
23 be clearly identified with advisory signs.

24 (II) Tank trucks used to transport reclaimed water shall not be used to transport
25 potable water that is used for drinking or other potable purposes.

26 (III) Tank trucks used to transport reclaimed water shall not be filled through
27 on-board piping or removable hoses that may subsequently be used to fill
28 tanks with water from a potable water supply.

29 (vi) Cross-Connection Control

30 (I) There shall be no direct cross-connections between the reclaimed water and
31 potable water systems.

32 (II) Where both reclaimed water and potable water are supplied to a reclaimed
33 water use area, a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention device or
34 an approved air gap separation shall be installed at the potable water

1 service connection to the use area. The installation of the reduced pressure
2 principal backflow prevention device shall allow proper testing.

3 (III) Where potable water is used to supplement a reclaimed water system, there
4 shall be an air gap separation, approved and regularly inspected by the
5 potable water supplier, between the potable water and reclaimed water
6 systems.

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10 (2) The use of treated industrial effluents or other industrial water streams created prior to final treatment
11 that are to be used in industrial processes such as cooling water make-up, process waters, or fire
12 fighting or extinguishing, shall not require a non-discharge permit as long as the recycle system
13 operates as a closed-loop system. Other uses of reclaimed industrial water are subject to the
14 following requirements:

15 (A) The generator shall demonstrate that the quality of the effluent is such that employee
16 health
17 and safety is protected and all other applicable state and federal health and safety
18 r e q u i r e m e n t s
19 are met. If domestic wastewater is in the industrial wastewater, the monthly geometric
20 mean fecal coliform level shall be less than or equal to 14/100 ml and the daily
21 maximum fecal coliform shall be less than or equal to 25/100 ml prior to reuse.

22 (B) Use of treated industrial effluents external to industrial processes shall be subject to the
23 following requirements:

24 (i) Reclaimed water for land application areas under the control of the subject
25 facility such as industrial or commercial site grounds, landscape areas, highway
26 medians, roadways and other similar areas:

27 (I) The rate of application shall be site-specific and shall be in accordance with
28 the recommendations of either a soil scientist, agronomist or an individual
29 with at least three years experience in the comprehensive evaluation of
30 soils. The application rate may take both the maximum soil absorption and
31 water needs of the receiving crop into consideration.

32 (II) Notification shall be provided to inform employees or guests of the use of
33 reclaimed water (Non Potable Water) and that the reclaimed water is not
34 intended for drinking.

1 (III) There shall be a 100 foot buffer from the edge of spray influence and any
2 surface waters classified SA, including wetlands as delineated and
3 designated by the appropriate state or federal agency. There shall be a 25
4 foot buffer from the edge of spray influence and any surface waters not
5 classified SA, including wetlands as delineated and designated by the
6 appropriate state or federal agency or any swimming pool.

7 (IV) The compliance boundary and the review boundary for groundwater shall
8 be established at the property boundary. No buffer between the application
9 area and property lines shall be required. No deed restrictions or
10 easements will be required to be filed on adjacent properties. Land
11 application of effluents must be on property controlled by the generator
12 unless appropriate contractual agreements are provided.

13 (V) There shall be a 100 foot buffer from the edge of spray influence and any
14 water supply well. There shall be a 10 foot buffer from the edge of spray
15 influence and any nonpotable well.

16 (VI) Complete plans and specifications for the entire system, including
17 treatment, storage, application, and distribution facilities shall be required
18 in accordance with Rule .0205(d)(7) of this Section. Treatment works
19 previously permitted will not need to be shown unless they are directly tied
20 into the new units or are critical to the understanding of the complete
21 process.

22 (VII) If the industrial reuse system is completely non-discharge, storage
23 requirements shall be in accordance with Paragraphs (k)(1)(A)(vi) and
24 (k)(1)(A)(vii) of this Rule.

25 (ii) Reclaimed industrial water may be used for purposes such as decorative ponds
26 or fountains, dust control, soil compaction for construction purposes, street or
27 parking lot cleaning, vehicle washing and other similar reuse options.
28 Notification shall be provided to inform employees of the use of reclaimed water
29 (Non-Potable Water) in these systems and that the water is not intended for
30 drinking.

31 (iii) Reclaimed industrial water used for urinal and toilet flushing or fire protection
32 in sprinkler systems located in commercial or industrial facilities can be
33 approved by the department if the applicant can demonstrate that public health
34 and the environment will be protected.

- 1 (iv) Reclaimed industrial water shall not be used for irrigation of direct food chain
2 crops.
- 3 (v) Reclaimed industrial water shall not be used for swimming pools, hot-tubs, spas
4 or similar uses.
- 5 (vi) Reclaimed industrial water shall not be used for direct reuse as a raw potable
6 water supply.

7 (C) The following are requirements for industrial reuse systems that distribute reclaimed
8 water within the property boundaries of the generating facility:

- 9 (i) All reclaimed water valves, piping, storage facilities, outlets and other means of
10 distribution shall be tagged or labeled to inform employees that the water is not
11 intended for drinking. Where appropriate, such notification shall inform the
12 employees to avoid contact with the water.
- 13 (ii) Cross-Connection Control
- 14 (I) There shall be no direct cross-connections between the reclaimed water and
15 potable water systems.
- 16 (II) Where potable water is used to supplement a reclaimed water system, there
17 shall be an air gap separation, approved and inspected by the potable water
18 supplier, between the potable water and reclaimed water systems.

19 (D) The following are requirements for industrial reuse systems that distribute reclaimed
20 water outside the property boundaries of the generating facility:

- 21 (i) All reclaimed water valves, storage facilities and outlets shall be tagged or
22 labeled to warn the public or employees that the water is not intended for
23 drinking. Where appropriate, such notification shall inform the public or
24 employees to avoid contact with the water.
- 25 (ii) All reclaimed water piping, valves, outlets and other appurtenances shall be
26 color-coded, taped, or otherwise marked to identify the source of the water as
27 being reclaimed water.
- 28 (I) All reclaimed water piping and appurtenances shall be either colored purple
29 (Pantone 522) and embossed or integrally stamped or marked "CAUTION:
30 RECLAIMED WATER - DO NOT DRINK" or be installed with a purple
31 (Pantone 522) identification tape or polyethylene vinyl wrap. The warning
32 shall be stamped on opposite sides of the pipe and repeated every 3 feet or
33 less.
- 34 (II) Identification tape shall be at least 3 inches wide and have white or black

1 lettering on purple (Pantone 522) field stating "CAUTION; RECLAIMED
2 WATER - DO NOT DRINK". Identification tape shall be installed on top
3 of reclaimed water pipelines, fastened at least every 10 feet to each pipe
4 length and run continuously the entire length of the pipe.

5 (III) Existing underground distribution systems retrofitted for the purpose of
6 distributing reclaimed water shall be taped or otherwise identified as in
7 Subpart (I) or (II) of this Paragraph. This identification need not extend
8 the entire length of the distribution system but shall be incorporated within
9 10 feet of crossing any potable water supply line or sanitary sewer line.

10 (iii) All reclaimed water valves and outlets shall be of a type, or secured in a
11 manner, that permits operation by authorized personnel only.

12 (iv) Above-ground hose bibs (spigots or other hand operated connections) shall not
13 be present. Hose bibs shall be located in locked, below grade vaults which shall
14 be clearly labeled as being of nonpotable quality. As an alternative to the use
15 of locked, below grade vaults with standard hose bib services, hose bibs which
16 can only be operated by a special tool may be placed in nonlockable underground
17 service boxes clearly labeled as nonpotable water.

18 (v) Tank Trucks

19 (I) Tank trucks and other equipment used to distribute reclaimed water shall
20 be clearly identified with advisory signs.

21 (II) Tank trucks used to transport reclaimed water shall not be used to transport
22 potable water that is used for drinking or other potable purposes.

23 (III) Tank trucks used to transport reclaimed water shall not be filled through
24 on-board piping or removable hoses that may subsequently be used to fill
25 tanks with water from a potable water supply.

26 (vi) Cross-Connection Control

27 (I) There shall be no direct cross-connections between the reclaimed water and
28 potable water systems.

29 (II) Where both reclaimed water and potable water are supplied to a reclaimed
30 water use area, a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention device or
31 an approved air gap separation shall be installed at the potable water
32 service connection to the use area. The installation of the reduced pressure
33 principal backflow prevention device shall allow proper testing.

34 (III) Where potable water is used to supplement a reclaimed water system, there

1 shall be an air gap separation, approved and regularly inspected by the
2 potable water supplier, between the potable water and reclaimed water
3 systems.

4 (l) Wastewater Flow Rates:

5 (1) In determining the volume of sewage from dwelling units, the flow rate shall be 120 gallons per day
6 per bedroom. The minimum volume of sewage from each dwelling unit shall be 240 gallons per
7 day and each additional bedroom above two bedrooms will increase the volume by 120 gallons per
8 day. Each bedroom or any other room or addition that can reasonably be expected to function as
9 a bedroom shall be considered a bedroom for design purposes. When the occupancy of a dwelling
10 unit exceeds two persons per bedroom, the volume of sewage shall be determined by the
11 maximum occupancy at a rate of 60 gallons per person per day.

12 (2) The following table shall be used to determine the minimum allowable design daily flow of
13 wastewater facilities. Design flow rates for establishments not identified below shall be determined
14 using available flow data, water-using fixtures, occupancy or operation patterns, and other measured
15 data.

16 Type of Establishments	Daily Flow For Design
17	
18 Airports, also RR Stations, bus terminals 19 (not including food service facilities)	5 gal/passenger
20	
21 Barber Shops	50 gal/chair
22 Bars, Cocktail Lounges (not including food services)	20 gal/seat
23 Beauty Shops	125 gal/booth or bowl
24 Bowling Alleys	50 gal/lane
25 Businesses (other than those listed in this table)	25 gal/employee
26 Camps	
27 Construction or work camps	60 gal/person
28 Summer camps	60 gal/person
29 Camp grounds Without water 30 and sewer hookups	100 gal/campsite
31 Travel trailer/recreational vehicle park 32 with water and sewer hookup	120 gal/campsite
33 Churches (not including food service, 34 day care and camps)	3 gal/seat

1	Country Clubs:	
2	Resident Members	60 gal/person
3	Nonresident Members	20 gal/person
4	Day Care Facilities	15 gal/person
5	Factories (exclusive of industrial	
6	wastes) -- per shift	25 gal/person
7	Add for showers -- per shift	10 gal/person
8	Food Service Facilities Restaurants	
9	(including fast food)	40 gal/seat or
10	40 gal/15 ft ² of	
11	dining area, whichever	
12	is greater	
13	24-hour Restaurants	50 gal/seat
14	Single-Service (exclusive of fast food)	25 gal/seat
15	Food Stands	
16	(1) Per 100 square feet of total floor space	50 gal
17	(2) Add per employee	25 gal
18	Hospitals	300 gal/bed
19	Laundries (self-service)	500 gal/machine
20	Marinas	10 gal/boat slip
21	with bathhouse	30 gal/boat slip
22	Meat Markets	
23	(1) Per 100 square feet of total floor space	50 gal
24	(2) Add per employee	25 gal
25	Motels/Hotel	120 gal/room
26	with cooking facilities in room	175 gal/room
27	Nursing/Rest Homes -- With laundry	120 gal/bed
28	Without laundry	60 gal/bed
29	Offices -- per shift	25 gal/person
30	Residential Care Facilities	60 gal/person
31	Resort (e.g. condominiums, apartments, motels, hotels)	200 gal/room
32	Restaurants	40 gal/seat or
33		40 gal/15 ft ² of
34		dining area

(whichever is greater)

Schools

Day Schools

With cafeteria, gym, and showers

15 gal/student

With cafeteria only

12 gal/student

With neither cafeteria nor showers

10 gal/student

Boarding

60 gal/person

Service Stations

250 gal/water closet

or urinal

Stadiums, Auditoriums, Theaters, Drive-ins

5 gal/seat or space

Stores, shopping centers and malls -- Note: if

food service is included, add 40 gal/seat

120 gal/1000 ft²

Swimming Pools and Bathhouses

10 gal/person

(3) An adjusted daily sewage flow may be granted upon a showing that a sewage system is adequate to meet actual daily water consumption from a facility included in Subparagraph (1) or (2) of this Paragraph. Documented, representative data from that facility or a comparable facility shall be submitted, consisting of at least 12 consecutive monthly total water consumption readings and daily total water consumption readings for at least 30 consecutive days of water use. The daily readings shall be taken during a projected peak sewage flow month. The adjusted design daily sewage flow shall be determined by taking the numerical average of the daily readings that fall within the upper 10 percent of the daily readings when ranked in descending order.

(m) For Treatment and Disposal of Soil Containing Petroleum Products:

(1) Landfarming of Soils Containing Petroleum Products at Minimum Rates. Petroleum contaminated soils shall be incorporated into the native soils of the receiver site immediately upon application.

Liming, fertilization, and aeration of the soils mixture shall be optional, unless otherwise required by the Division. Subsequent application of petroleum contaminated soils onto the same receiver site shall not occur for at least 18 months from the date of the most recent application of petroleum contaminated soils and shall cause the receiver site to be reclassified as a "dedicated remediation site" unless the permittee or applicant can demonstrate, through soil sampling and contaminant analytical procedures approved by the Department, that the petroleum contaminant level in the upper eight inches of the receiver site soils is below analytical detection levels;

(2) Landfarming of Soil Containing Petroleum Products at Conventional Rates. Landfarming of soils

1 containing petroleum product at an application thickness greater than one inch shall require
2 fertilization, liming, and aeration of the native soils and petroleum contaminated soils mixture as
3 approved by the Division. Application thickness shall be based upon the nature of the receiver site
4 soils, depth to the seasonal high water table, the intended cover crop, and the source of
5 contamination, in accordance with procedures approved by the Division. Operation of the
6 landfarming program shall not result in contravention of classified groundwater or surface water
7 quality standards. Subsequent application of petroleum contaminated soils onto the same receiver
8 site shall not occur for at least 18 months from the date of the most recent application of petroleum
9 contaminated soils and shall cause the receiver site to be reclassified as a "dedicated disposal site"
10 unless the permittee or applicant can demonstrate, through soil sampling and contaminant analytical
11 procedures approved by the Department, that the petroleum contaminant level in the upper eight
12 inches of the receiver site soils is below analytical detection levels;

13 (3) Containment and Treatment of Soil Containing Petroleum Products:

14 (A) A containment structure designed to bioremediate or volatilize soil containing petroleum
15 products shall be constructed of either a synthetic liner of at least 30 mils thickness or of a one
16 foot thick liner of natural material, compacted to at least 95 percent standard proctor dry density
17 and with a permeability of less than 1×10^{-7} cm/sec.

18 (B) The bottom of the containment structure shall be at least three feet above the seasonal high
19 water table or bedrock.

20 (C) A leachate collection system must be installed in order to prevent runoff from the petroleum
21 contaminated soils within the containment structure, or steps taken to avoid accumulation of
22 stormwater within the containment structure.

23 (4) Disposal of Petroleum Contaminated Soils at Dedicated Sites. Subsequent applications of petroleum
24 contaminated soils at dedicated sites shall not recur until such time as it can be demonstrated, by
25 computer modeling or predictive calculations, that additional applications of contaminated soils will
26 not result in the contravention of any applicable environmental standards. Disposal of petroleum
27 contaminated soils at dedicated sites shall conform to procedures established by the Division.

28 (n) For Systems utilizing Infiltration Galleries:

29 (1) An infiltration gallery shall be designed such that its largest surface dimension is greater than its
30 depth and no vertical piping shall be installed within the trench.

31 (2) An infiltration gallery shall be designed such that discharges from the infiltration gallery which reach
32 the water table must be within the zone of influence of any on-site groundwater recovery system, and
33 must not cause or contribute to the migration of contaminants into previously uncontaminated areas.
34 Predictive modeling shall be used to estimate the zone of influence, infiltration rate, groundwater

1 movement and flow direction.

2 (o) Additional requirements:

- 3 (1) distance between water supply wells and waste facilities in accordance with Rule 2C .0107(a) of this
4 Chapter or, if a greater area may be impacted, a distance in accordance with the perimeter of
5 compliance described in Subchapter 2L of this Chapter;
6 (2) compliance with the groundwater standards specified in Subchapter 2L of this Chapter;
7 (3) where applicable compliance with rules on "coastal waste treatment disposal" found in Section .0400
8 of this Subchapter; and
9 (4) For subsurface disposal systems, compliance with rules on subsurface disposal systems found in 15A
10 NCAC 18A .1900. Copies of these Rules are available from The Division of Environmental Health,
11 P.O. Box 29535, Raleigh, North Carolina 27626-0535.
12 (p) Alternative Design Criteria may be approved by the Director. This approval will only be given in
13 cases where the applicant can demonstrate that the Alternative Design Criteria will provide the following:
14 (1) Equal or better treatment of the waste; and
15 (2) Equal or better protection of the waters of the state; and
16 (3) No increased potential for nuisance conditions.

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