

Waste (Solid)

Yard Waste Treatment & Processing Permit (T&P)

What Activities Require This Permit? This permit is required for the construction and operation of yard waste treatment and processing facilities - facilities that receive primarily organic wastes to be treated or processed for recycling or reuse in soil or plant related uses (primarily grinding or mulching of wood material).

What Is The Purpose of This Permit? To reduce adverse environmental effects from the treatment and processing of yard waste and to protect the health of the citizens of North Carolina.

Who Issues This Permit? N.C. Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Section

How Much Will This Permit Cost? A schedule of permitting fees may be found at the following link: <https://edocs.deq.nc.gov/WasteManagement/DocView.aspx?id=1819278&dbid=0&repo=WasteManagement&cr=1>. Please do not send fee with application. The Solid Waste Section will send an invoice for the application fee once the application is received and accepted. (Note that permits and fees are not required for [Yard Waste Notification Sites](#) that are less than 2 acres in size and process/store less than 6,000 cubic yards per quarter of only yard waste and/or clean wood waste)

What Are My Payment Options for Permit Application Fees? Invoices may be paid by check or electronically by echeck or credit card at [NC DEQ SWS ePayments](#).

If Paying by Check, Who do I Make the Check Payable to and Where Do I Send the Check? Make Check payable to: NCDEQ, Solid Waste Section. Mail to: N.C. Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Section – Permitting Branch, 1646 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1646.

Where Can I Get The Application For This Permit? The Section does not provide application forms. Rather, application requirements are listed in rules. Rules and further information may be found using the following links: [Solid Waste Management Rules](#) (Rules specific to YW T&Ps can be found at 15A NCAC 13B .0300 and .1400) <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/waste-management/solid-waste-section>. You may also obtain application guidance by contacting Branch staff at 919-707-8200.

How Long Will It Take To Review My Application? As indicated in North Carolina General Statute 130A-295.8(e), the Division of Waste Management will make a determination on completeness within 90 days of receipt of the application. The division will issue a draft permit decision on an application for a permit within one year after the division determines that the application is complete.

Where Do I Submit My Application? One (1) electronic copy of the application should be emailed to the appropriate [Permitting Engineer](#) or to Sherri.Stanley@deq.nc.gov. If requested by the Section, a hard copy of the application or of the associated drawings can be mailed to N.C. Division of Waste Management, Solid Waste Section – Permitting Branch, 1646 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1646.

How Long Is My Permit or License or Certificate Valid? Permits can be issued for up to five years.

Notes/Comments: In regard to application submittal, the application fee, zoning approval, operation manual and site plan where applicable must be addressed before an application can be considered complete.

Legal Authority/Statute Reference: G.S. 130A-294

Link: <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/waste-management/solid-waste-section>

Statewide Contact Information:

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