

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT FY24 STANDARD APPLICATION TURNAROUND TIMES

As required by Section 1-607(A)(2) of the Environment Article, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) establishes standard turnaround times for processing applications for permits and other approvals. MDE reviews and invites comment on these turnaround times annually to give permit applicants current information regarding processing times. The FY24 times are below. Comments on these turnaround times are welcome any time and can be directed to Ms. Sue Battle-McDonald, Director, MDE Office of Performance Improvement and Customer Service, at susan.battle-mcdonald@maryland.gov.

| Air and Radiation Administration | |
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| General Permit to Construct | 45 days |
| Air Quality Permit to Construct | 4 months - without expanded public review |
| | 5 months – synthetic minor permits without expanded public review |
| | 15 months - with expanded public review |
| New Source Review Approval | 15 months |
| Prevention of Significant [air quality] Deterioration | 15 months |
| Air Quality State Permit to Operate | 4 months |
| Part 70 (Title V) Permit to Operate | 18 months for new permits |
| | 15 months for renewals |
| Asbestos Contractor License | 60 days |
| Asbestos Training Provider Approval | 3 months |
| Incinerator Operator Certification | 30 days |
| Incinerator Training Course Approval | 60 days |
| Fleet Inspection Station License | 30 days |
| Certified Emissions Repair Facility Certification | 30 days |
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| Master Certified Emissions Technician Certificate | 30 days |
| Radiation Machine Facility Registration | 60 days for dental and veterinary machines |
| | 4 months for all other machines |
| Certification of Machines Emitting Radiation | 6 months |
| Radioactive Materials License | 12 months for new and renewals |
| | 90 days for amendments and terminations |
| Private Inspector License For Inspecting X-Ray Machines | 60 days |
| Reciprocal Recognition of Out-of-State Radioactive Material Licenses | 21 days |

Land and Materials Administration

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| Refuse Disposal Permit | 9 months for transfer stations |
| | 9 months for processing facilities |
| | 9 months for processing facilities & transfer stations |
| | 12 months for incinerators |
| | 12 months for land-clearing debris landfills |
| | 24 months for industrial landfills |
| | 36 months for rubble landfills |
| | 36 months for municipal landfills |
| Groundwater Discharge Permit for Rubble Landfill | 18 months |
| Sewage Sludge Utilization Permit | 150 days – research project |
| | 4 months – transportation |
| | 6 months – utilization or disposal at a sanitary landfill, energy generation, or incineration |
| | 8 months – marketing |
| | 12 months – land application |
| | 24 months – treatment, composting, distribution facility, or storage |
| | 36 months – sewage sludge landfill |
| | 24 months – innovative projects |
| General Discharge Permit for Animal Feeding Operations | 160 days for new construction |
| | 36 months for renewal |
| Natural Wood Waste Recycling Facility Permit | 9 months |
| Natural Wood Waste Recycling Facility General Permit | 60 days |
| Individual Composting Facility Permit | 220 days |
| General Composting Facility Permit | 120 days |

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| Scrap Tire Hauler | 6 months |
| Scrap Tire Collection Facilities (General and Secondary) | 6 months |
| Scrap Tire Solid Waste Acceptance Facility | 9 months |
| Scrap Tire TDF/Substitute Fuel Facility | 9 months |
| Scrap Tire Primary Collection Facility | 12 months |
| Scrap Tire Recyclers | 12 months |
| Oil Operations Permit – Storage, Delivery, Transfer in Maryland (OPT) | 24 months |
| Oil Operations Permit – Delivery Only (OPV) | 12 months |
| Oil Operations Permit – Solidification of Oil Sludge, Refuse, and/or Oil Mixed with Other Wastes (OPX) | 12 months |
| Oil Operations Permit – Oil Contaminated Soil Storage and Treatment (OPS) | 18 months |
| Oil Transfer License | 45 days |
| General Permits for Discharge of Treated Groundwater from Oil Contaminated Groundwater Sources to Surface or Groundwaters of the State (OGR) | 30 days |
| General Permits for Discharge of Stormwater and Hydrostatic Test Water from Oil Terminals to Surface or Groundwaters of the State (OGT) | 12 months |
| Surface Water Discharge Permit for Oil Terminals (ODS) | 12 months |
| Groundwater Discharge Permit for Oil Terminals (ODG) | 12 months |
| Underground Storage Tank (UST) Technician, Remover, and Inspector Certifications | 40 days |
| Controlled Hazardous Substances Facility Permit | 24 months |
| Hazardous Waste; EPA Identification Number | 30 days |
| Controlled Hazardous Substances Hauler and Vehicle | 60 days |

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| Certifications | |
| Special Medical Waste (SMW) Hauler and Vehicle Certifications | 60 days |
| Coal Mining Permit | 12 months |
| Surface Coal Mining Blaster Certification | immediately on passing exam |
| Coal Mining Operator License | 30 days |
| Non-Coal Mining Permit | 4 months |
| Non-Coal Mining License | 20 days |
| Oil and Gas Exploration and Production | 5 months |
| Lead Paint Accreditations | 90 days |
| Lead Paint Training Course Approvals | 90 days |
| Lead Paint Instructor Approvals | 90 days |
| Voluntary Cleanup Program | 60 days to determine if application is accepted |
| | 75 days to review action plan |

Water and Science Administration

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| General Discharge Permit Registrations (excluding Construction Activities and Animal Feeding Operations) | 100 days for all general permits |
| Individual Permit for Wastewater Discharges | 12 months for new minor surface facilities |
| | 18 months for new surface major facilities |
| | 24 months for renewal surface discharge facilities |
| | 18 months for new groundwater discharge facilities |
| | 34 months for renewal groundwater discharge facilities |
| Water and Sewerage Construction Permit | 3 months |
| Water Appropriation and Use Permit | 90 days for under 10,000 gallons per day |
| | 18 months for over 10,000 gallons per day |
| Well Construction Permit | 30 days |
| Drinking Water Laboratory Certification | 4 months |
| Nontidal Wetlands and Waterway Construction (Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Permits) | 6 months for minor projects |
| | 12 months for major projects |
| | 90 days for stream restoration projects when no public hearing is requested |
| Tidal Wetland Licenses and Permits | 90 days for minor projects |
| | 8 months for major projects when no public hearing is requested |
| | 11 months for major projects when a public hearing is requested |
| Erosion/Sediment Control and Stormwater Management Plan Approvals | 9 months |
| Erosion and Sediment Control - Responsible Personnel Certification - Online | 1 day |
| Erosion and Sediment Control - Responsible Personnel Training Program Approval | 4 weeks |

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| General Permit for Stormwater Associated with Construction Activity | 45 days |
| Individual Permit for Stormwater Associated with Construction Activity | 12 months |
| Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Permit | 36 months |
| Dam Safety Permit (major project) | 36 months |
| Dam Safety Permit (minor project) | 18 months |
| Dam Safety (small pond) | 18 months |
| Dam Safety Permit Exemption | 6 months |
| Dam Safety Permit (removal) | 36 months |
| Waterworks and Waste Systems Operator Certification | 60 days for all licenses |
| Well Driller License | 6 months for new licenses |
| | 30 days for renewals |
| Marine Contractor's License | 3 months for new licenses |
| | 60 days for renewals |