

Hazardous Waste Underground Injection Well Permit by Rule

Program Description

There may be situations where hazardous waste can be safely disposed of by injecting it deep underground. The injection of liquids into the subsurface is regulated by several different governmental agencies. In an effort to avoid duplication of regulatory oversight, facilities that may use underground injection wells to dispose of hazardous waste are deemed to have a State RCRA permit if they have a permit to conduct this activity from either the US Environmental Protection Agency or the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's Water Quality Control Division.

Who May Apply

The owner or operator of an underground injection well may utilize this permit by rule if they have, and are in compliance with, an underground injection control (UIC) permit issued under the federal Clean Water Act or Colorado's Safe Drinking Water Act that allows the disposal of hazardous wastes.

Application Process

There is no formal application process for this permit by rule. Permitting issues and conditions of discharge are addressed in the underground injection well permitting process at either US EPA or the Department's Water Quality Control Division.

Duration of Permit

This permit by rule remains in effect until the conditions specified above are no longer being met and/or until the underground injection control permit is no longer valid.

Fees

There are no fees associated with this permit by rule, though fees may be assessed by other regulatory programs.

Public Participation

There are no requirements for public participation in this permit by rule process.

Statutes and Regulations

CRS 25-15-101 et. seq.

Colorado Hazardous Waste Regulations 6 CCR 1007-3 Section 100.21(b)

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