

**TITLE 252. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
CHAPTER 656. WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION  
STANDARDS**

**RULEMAKING ACTION:**

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

**PROPOSED RULES:**

Subchapter 3. Permit Procedures

252:656-3-1 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 5. Sanitary Sewer Standards

252:656-5-4 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 11. Lagoon Standards

252:656-11-1 [AMENDED]

252:656-11-3 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 21. Disinfection Standards

252:656-21-1 [AMENDED]

252:656-21-2 [AMENDED]

252:656-21-3 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 23. ~~Supplemental Treatment Standards~~ Effluent Filtration

252:656-23-1 [AMENDED]

252:656-23-2 [REVOKED]

Subchapter 25. ~~Wastewater Land Application Systems~~ of Reclaimed Water

252:656-25-2 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 27. ~~Wastewater~~ Water Reuse

252:656-27-4 [AMENDED]

**SUMMARY:**

The Department is proposing to: (1) require that the submission of plans include at least one set of construction plans be on 11" x 17" paper and one set of specifications be loosely bound and suitable for scanning; (2) strengthen the existing prohibition against locating lagoons in areas subject to karstification; (3) add disinfection criteria for reclaimed water systems and distinguish those criteria from the criteria required for OPDES discharges; (4) add traveling bridge filters as an approved method for filtration; (5) clarify that the minimum dosage for Category 3 reclaimed water is based on MS-2 phage inactivation; (6) update the hydraulic loading rates for disc filters; (7) require a pilot study before designing filters to be used to polish TSS from lagoon effluent; (8) add a requirement for signage around water reuse land application sites; (9) clarify that fencing is required for Category 5 reclaimed water land application sites; (10) add a requirement for above-ground signage for existing reclaimed water piping that does not meet the purple pipe standards; and (11) make other minor clarifications and typographical corrections.

**AUTHORITY:**

Environmental Quality Board, 27A O.S. § 2-2-101; Water Quality Management Advisory Council, 27A O.S. § 2-2-201; and 27A O.S. §§ 1-3-101, 2-3-202, 2-3-402, 2-3-501, 2-6-103, 2-6-203, 2-6-402 and 2-6-501.

**COMMENT PERIOD:**

Written comments may be submitted to the contact person from December 2, 2013, through January 2, 2014.

Oral comments may be made at the Water Quality Management Advisory Council meeting on January 14, 2014, and at the Environmental Quality Board meeting on February 21, 2014.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Before the Water Quality Management Advisory Council on January 14, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room on the first floor of the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102.

Before the Environmental Quality Board on February 21, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room on the first floor of the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102.

**REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:**

The DEQ requests that business entities affected by the proposed rules provide to DEQ (during the comment period) the increase (in dollar amounts if possible) in the level of direct costs (e.g., fees) and indirect costs (e.g., reporting, record keeping, equipment, construction, labor, professional services, revenue loss), or other costs expected to be incurred due to compliance with the proposed rules.

**COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:**

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained from the contact person, reviewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, during normal business hours (8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Friday) or reviewed online at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/wqdnew/index.htm>.

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Copies of the rule impact statement may be obtained from the contact person or may be reviewed online at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/wqdnew/index.htm>.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

The contact person is Mark Hildebrand. Mark may be contacted at: [Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov](mailto:Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov) (e-mail), (405) 702-8100 (phone) or (405) 702-8101 (fax). The DEQ is located at 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102. The DEQ's mailing address is P.O. Box 1677, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101-1677.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Persons with disabilities who desire to attend the rulemaking hearing and need an accommodation should notify the contact person three (3) days in advance of the hearing. For hearing impaired, the TDD relay number is 1-800-522-8506 or 1-800-722-0353, for TDD machine use only.