

**TITLE 252. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
CHAPTER 631. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY OPERATION**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

- Subchapter 1. Introduction
- 252:631-1-2 [AMENDED]
- 252:631-1-3 [AMENDED]
- Subchapter 3. Operations
- 252:631-3-2 [AMENDED]
- 252:631-3-3 [AMENDED]
- 252:631-3-4 [AMENDED]
- 252:631-3-10 [AMENDED]
- 252:631-3-11 [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The Department is proposing to: (1) replace “approved laboratory” with “accredited laboratory”, add a definition for “accredited laboratory”, and add definitions for “direct integrity test”, indirect integrity testing and “point of connection”; (2) update the rules concerning the date of the incorporation by reference of certain federal regulations from July 1, 2013, to July 1, 2014; (3) remove language referring to “laboratory approval” and replace with language for “laboratory accreditation” ; (4) add the minimum free and total chlorine residual requirements for points of connection; (5) add a requirement to determine the chlorine residual once daily at the point(s) of connection to the wholesale system for purchase water systems; (6) clarify the requirements for submitting fluoridation analytical reports to DEQ and ODH; (7) clarify the requirements for membrane filtration systems to be consistent with federal requirements and (8) other minor clarifications.

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. §§ 2-6-103, 2-6-303 and 2-6-306.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Persons wishing to present their views in writing may do so before 5:00pm on October 2, 2014 at the following address: Mark Hildebrand, Water Quality Division, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102 or Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov.

Oral comments may be made at the Water Quality Management Advisory Council meeting on October 7, 2014, and at the Environmental Quality Board meeting on November 13, 2014.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Before the Water Quality Management Advisory Council on October 7, 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 November 13, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Location TBA.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide to the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, about increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Mark Hildebrand at the above

address during the period from September 2, 2014 to October, 2, 2014.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

The proposed rules may be viewed on the agency's website at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us> and copies may be obtained from the Department of Environmental Quality's at 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, during normal business hours (8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Friday) Copies may also be obtained by written request mailed to the attention of Mark Hildebrand, at 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102 or emailed to Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D), a rule impact statement is being prepared and will be available for review after **MM/DD/YYYY** at the above addresses.

CONTACT PERSON:

Mark Hildebrand, (405) 702-8100 or Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov (Procedural, legal and technical questions)

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.