



PERMIT INFORMATION CHECKLIST FOR FARMS

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The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has prepared a list of key questions to help identify what DEQ permits, licenses, or approvals of a permit-like nature may be needed. By contacting the appropriate offices indicated, you will help reduce the possibility that your project or activity will be delayed due to the untimely discovery of additional permitting requirements later in the construction process. While this list covers the existence of permits and approvals required from the DEQ, it is not a comprehensive list of all legal responsibilities. A useful way to learn whether other requirements will apply is to go through the Self-Environmental Assessment in the Michigan Guide to Environmental, Health, and Safety Regulations, online at: <http://www.michigan.gov/ehsguide>. Please call the Environmental Assistance Center at 800-662-9278 to talk with any of the DEQ programs noted below.

KEY QUESTIONS:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	PROGRAM WEBPAGE AND CONTACTS
CONSTRUCTION PERMITS			
<i>Air Quality Permit to Install:</i> Will your business involve the installation or construction of any process equipment that has the potential to emit air contaminants (e.g. dry sand blasting, boilers, standby generators)?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Air Quality Division (AQD), Permit Section
<i>Asbestos Notification:</i> Does the project involve renovating or demolishing all or portions of a building? Notification is required for asbestos removal and required for all demolitions even if the structure never contained asbestos.	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	AQD, Asbestos Program , 517-284-6777
<i>Land and Water Featured Programs (Water Resources Division) - USACE Consolidated Permits:</i> Please consult the Permitting at the Land and Water Interface Decision Tree document to evaluate whether your project needs a land and water management permit (i.e., Does the project involve filling, dredging, placement of structures, draining, or use of a wetland?).	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Resources Division (WRD), 517-284-5567 Joint Permit Application
<i>Storm Water Discharge to Wetlands:</i> Will storm water be collected, stored, or treated in a wetland area from a public road, industrial, commercial, or multi-unit residential development?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Joint Permit Application , 517-284-5567
Great Lakes: Does the project involve construction, filling, or dredging below the Ordinary High Water Mark of one of the Great Lakes?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Joint Permit Application , 517-284-5567
Inland Lakes and Streams: Does the project involve any dredging, filling, placement of structures, or the operation of a marina within an inland waterbody (e.g. lake, river, stream, drain, creek, ditch, or canal), enlargement of a waterbody, or excavation of a pond within 500 feet of a waterbody?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Joint Permit Application , 517-284-5567
<i>Storm Water Ponds and Discharges to Inland Lakes/Streams, or Great Lakes:</i> Will storm water from any road or any other part of the development be discharged either directly or ultimately to an inland waterbody, or one of the Great Lakes; or will a storm water pond be constructed within 500 feet of an inland waterbody?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Joint Permit Application , 517-284-5567
Does the project involve placement of fill, earth moving, or placement of structures within the 100-year <i>floodplain</i> of a watercourse?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Joint Permit Application , 517-284-5567
<i>Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control:</i> Does the project involve an earth change activity (including land balancing, demolition involving soil movement, and construction)?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Soil Erosion and Construction Storm Water , 517-284-5588 or your Local Agency
<i>NPDES Storm Water Discharge from Construction Sites Notice of Coverage:</i> Does the project involve construction which will disturb one or more acres that come into contact with storm water that enters a storm sewer, drain, lake, stream, or other surface water?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	NPDES Storm Water Permits Program , 517-284-5588 or DEQ District Office
Does the project involve construction of a building or septic system in a designated Great Lakes <i>high risk erosion area</i> ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Shoreland Management , 517-284-5567

Does the project involve dredging, filling, grading, or other alteration of the soil, vegetation, or natural drainage, or placement of permanent structures in a designated <i>environmental area</i> ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Shoreland Management , 517-284-5567
Does the project propose any development, construction, silvicultural activities or contour alterations within a designated <i>critical dune area</i> ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Sand Dune Management , 517-284-5567
Does the project involve construction of a facility that landfills, transfers, or processes of any type of <i>solid non-hazardous waste</i> on-site, or places <i>industrial residuals/sludge</i> into or onto the ground?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection (OWMRP), Solid Waste , 517-284-6588 or DEQ District Office
WATER SUPPLY (More information, see: http://www.michigan.gov/deqwater , select "drinking water")			
I am buying water from my community water supply (i.e. city of Detroit or Grand Rapids)	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Contact Local Water Utility , 517-284-6512
I have a private or other water supply well (Type III)	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Contact (District or County) Local Health Department , 517-485-0660
I have a Non-Community Water Supply (Type II)	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Guide, Contact (District or County) Local Health Department , 517-485-0660
I am a community water supply (Type I)	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Community Water Supply, DEQ District Office Community Water Supply Program , 517-284-6512
OPERATIONAL PERMITS			
NPDES: Does the project involve the discharge of any type of wastewater to a storm sewer, drain, lake, stream, or other surface water ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, DEQ District Office , or National Pollutant Discharge Elimination (NPDES) Permit Program , 517-284-5568
Does the project involve the discharge of wastewaters into or onto the ground (e.g. subsurface disposal or irrigation)?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Groundwater Permits Program , 517-290-2570
Does the project involve the drilling or deepening of wells for waste disposal ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Office of Oil, Gas and Minerals (OOGM) , 517-284-6841
Does the project involve landfilling, transferring, or processing of any type of solid non-hazardous waste on-site, or placing industrial residuals/sludge into or onto the ground?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	OWMRP , 517-284-6588 or DEQ District Office
Does the project require a site identification number (EPA number) for regulated waste activities (used oil, liquid waste, hazardous waste, universal waste, PCBs)? (Hazardous Waste Program Forms & License Applications)	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	OWMRP, 517-284-6562, DEQ District Office
Does the project involve the generation of medical waste or a facility that treats medical waste prior to its disposal?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	OWMRP, Medical Waste Regulatory Program , 517-284-6594
Do you desire to develop a withdrawal of over 2,000,000 gallons of water per day from any source other than the Great Lakes and their connecting waterways? Or, do you desire to develop a withdrawal of over 5,000,000 gallons of water per day from the Great Lakes or their connecting waterways?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, DWEHS, Source Water Protection Unit , 517-284-6513
CHEMICAL ADDITION PROJECTS			
Are you using chemicals or materials in, or in contact with, drinking water at any point in the water works system ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, DEQ District Office, Public Water Supply Program , 517-284-6512
Are you applying a chemical treatment for the purpose of aquatic nuisance control (pesticide/herbicide etc) in a water body (i.e. lake, pond or river)?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Aquatic Nuisance Control and Remedial Action Unit, 517-284-5593
Are you applying materials to a water body for a water resource management project (i.e. mosquito control treatments, dye testing, or fish reclamation projects)?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	WRD, Surface Water Assessment Section , 517-331-5228

OPERATIONAL SECTOR SPECIFIC PERMITS			
Does your laboratory test potable water as required for compliance and monitoring purposes of the Safe Drinking Water Act?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	DEQ, Laboratory Services Certifications , 517-284-5424
Does the project involve the generation of medical waste or a facility that treats medical waste prior to its disposal?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	OWMRP, Medical Waste Regulatory Program , 517-284-6594
Do you store, haul, shred or process scrap tires ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	OWMRP, Scrap Tire Program , 517-284-6586
Does the project involve the transport of hazardous waste ?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	OWMRP, Transporter Program , 517-284-6562
Does the project involve transport of septic tank, cesspool, or dry well contents or the discharge of septage or sewage sludge into or onto the ground?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	ODWMA, Septage Program , 517-284-6535
STORAGE TANKS (CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION)			
Does the project involve the installation of an aboveground storage tank for a flammable or combustible liquid (under 200 degrees Fahrenheit)?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (DLARA) - Storage Tank Unit , 517-335-7211
Does the project involve the installation of a liquefied petroleum gas container filling location or storage location that has a tank with a capacity of more than 2,000 gallons or has two (2) or more tanks with an aggregate capacity of more than 4,000 gallons?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	DLARA - Storage Tank Unit , 517-335-7211
Does the project involve the installation, removal, or upgrade of an underground storage tank containing a petroleum product or a hazardous substance?	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>	DLARA - Storage Tank Unit , 517-335-7211