

**Two permits are needed for an injection well: a well permit from DEP and an Underground Injection Control permit from the EPA. Information on these permits is contained in Section 78.18 of the rules and regulations.**

Title 25, Chapter 78, 25 Pa. Code § 78.18. Disposal and enhanced recovery well permits.

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(a) A person may not drill a disposal or enhanced recovery well or alter an existing well to be a disposal or enhanced recovery well unless the person:

- (1) Obtains a well permit under § 78.11 (relating to permit requirements).
- (2) Submits with the well permit application a copy of the well permit, approved permit application and required related documentation submitted for the disposal or enhanced recovery well to the EPA under 40 CFR Part 146 (relating to underground injection control program).
- (3) Submits a copy of a control and disposal plan for the disposal or enhanced recovery well and related facilities that meets the requirements of § 91.34 (relating to activities utilizing pollutants).
- (4) Submits a copy of an erosion and sedimentation plan for the disposal or enhanced recovery well site that meets the requirements of Chapter 102 and § 78.53 (relating to erosion and sediment control; and erosion and sedimentation control).

(b) By December 18, 1995, an operator of disposal or enhanced recovery wells which were operating before December 18, 1995, shall submit to the Department a list of the operator's disposal or enhanced recovery wells including:

- (1) The Department's permit or registration number for each well on this list.
- (2) The corresponding permit number issued to each well on this list by the EPA.

(c) A person who operates multiple well projects may submit one copy of the documents required under subsection (a) if the documents are applicable to the entire project.

**Source**

The provisions of this § 78.18 adopted December 16, 1994, effective December 17, 1994, 24 Pa.B. 6284.

**Cross References**

This section cited in 25 Pa. Code § 78a.18 (relating to disposal and enhanced recovery well permits); and 25 Pa. Code § 95.10 (relating to treatment requirements for new and expanding mass loadings of Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)).

<http://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/Display/pacode?file=/secure/pacode/data/025/chapter78/s78.18.html&d=reduce>

Injection Wells in Pennsylvania:

<https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Energy/OilandGasPrograms/OilandGasMgmt/Pages/Underground-Injection-Wells.aspx>