



State of Vermont
PERMIT AND LICENSE INFORMATION

LAND APPLICATION OF DAIRY AND FOOD PROCESSING WASTES

**SUMMARY
DESCRIPTION
OF PERMIT**

The Wastewater Management Division may consider non-sewage wastewater from food processing facilities discharged to agricultural lands as fertilizer amendments and may issue permits for these non-sewage discharges with adequate conditions and monitoring considered necessary to prevent a violation of the Water Quality Standards.

Any proposed land application of food processing wastes must use the Vermont Guidelines for the Land Application of Dairy Processing Wastes (as amended) in the formulation of the application for an indirect discharge permit.

**EXAMPLE OF
REGULATED
ACTIVITY**

Land application of wastewater from cheese processing or discharges of food processing wastes to manure pits.

**CRITERIA FOR
JURISDICTION**

For projects involving the disposal of non-sewage wastewater it is recommended that the applicant and system designer consult with staff listed in the Contact section below at an early stage of project development to ascertain legal jurisdiction, planning, and design requirements

**INFORMATION
REQUIRED**

See information required in the Guidelines for Land Application of Dairy Wastes, August 14, 1990

<http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/indirect/GuidelinesLandApplicationDairyWastes.pdf>

Also the characteristics of the waste to be discharged must be determined.

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) must be submitted for any chemicals used in processing.

FEES

Application processing fee: \$100

Application review fee: \$0.06 per gallon of design capacity; \$235 minimum

Annual operating fee: Individual Permit: \$0.013 per gallon design capacity; \$100 minimum, \$5500 maximum.

Approval Under General Permit: \$220.00

APPLICATION TIME FRAME

The established performance standards for processing a complete application for a new project, a renewal or an amendment:

Projects with capacities less or equal to 10,000 gpd	90 days
Projects with capacities less or equal to 10,000 gpd with hearing	150 days
Projects with capacities greater than 10,000 gpd	120 days
Projects with capacities greater than 10,000 gpd with hearing	180 days
General Permit	30 days

ADMINISTERING AGENCY

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DIVISION
INDIRECT DISCHARGE PERMIT SECTION**

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AUTHORITY

10 VSA §§ 905b, 1250, 1251a, 1259, 1263, 1390 -1394, and Chapter 25 of Title 3 (Administrative Procedures Act)

APPLICABLE RULE AND PROCEDURE

Indirect Discharge Rules (Environmental Protection Rules, Chapter 14) April 30,2003
<http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/Rules/IDR/Adopted-IDR-4-30-03.pdf>
Guidelines for Land Application of Dairy Wastes, August 14, 1990
<http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/indirect/GuidelinesLandApplicationDairyWastes.pdf>

APPEAL PROCESS

Effective January 31, 2005, within 30 days of the date of an act or decision, any person aggrieved by an act or decision of the secretary, or any party by right, may appeal to the environmental court in accordance with the provisions of [10 VSA Chapter 220](#).

OTHER PERMITS

Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets

<http://www.vermontagriculture.com/regulations.htm>

Vermont Department of Health, Food Processing Establishments (Sheet [#53.1](#))
Act 250 (Sheet [#47](#))