

**455B.198 Wastewater discharge from well drilling sites — rules.**

1. The commission shall adopt rules pursuant to [chapter 17A](#) to regulate the discharge of wastewater from water well drilling sites. The rules shall incorporate the following considerations:

- a. The size of the well as measured by the flow of water in gallons per minute.
- b. The best management practices to address wastewater discharge.
- c. Requirements for notification to the department prior to the commencement of drilling operations.
- d. Requirements for retention of records for a well.
- e. Reasonable and appropriate limitations on wastewater discharge that take into consideration the need for the well.
- f. Reasonable and appropriate limitations on wastewater discharge that take into consideration the need to conserve soil and protect water quality.

2. The commission shall have the authority in the rules to provide for the issuance of a general permit and to establish a fee sufficient to recover the costs of issuing a general permit, which shall not exceed fifty dollars. The fees shall be remitted to the department and shall be used by the department to administer the permitting requirements of [this section](#).

3. The commission shall convene an advisory committee that includes representatives of the Iowa water well association to assist in the development of the rules.

[2008 Acts, ch 1165, §1](#); [2015 Acts, ch 30, §132, 133](#)