567—22.3(455B) Issuing permits.

22.3(1) Stationary sources other than anaerobic lagoons. In no case shall a construction permit which results in an increase in emissions be issued to any facility which is in violation of any condition found in a permit involving PSD, NSPS, NESHAP or a provision of the Iowa state implementation plan. If the facility is in compliance with a schedule for correcting the violation and that schedule is contained in an order or permit condition, the department may consider issuance of a construction permit. A construction permit shall be issued when the director concludes that the preceding requirement has been met and:

a. That the required plans and specifications represent equipment which reasonably can be expected to comply with all applicable emission standards, and

b. That the expected emissions from the proposed source or modification in conjunction with all other emissions will not prevent the attainment or maintenance of the ambient air quality standards specified in 567—Chapter 28, and

c. That the applicant has not relied on emission limits based on stack height that exceeds good engineering practice or any other dispersion techniques as defined in 567—subrule 23.1(6), and

d. That the applicant has met all other applicable requirements.

22.3(2) Anaerobic lagoons. A construction permit for an industrial anaerobic lagoon shall be issued when the director concludes that the application for permit represents an approach to odor control that can reasonably be expected to comply with the criteria in 567—subrule 23.5(2). A construction permit for an animal feeding operation using an anaerobic lagoon shall be issued when the director concludes that the application has met the requirements of rule 567—65.15(455B).

22.3(3) Conditions of approval. A permit may be issued subject to conditions which shall be specified in writing. Such conditions may include but are not limited to emission limits, operating conditions, fuel specifications, compliance testing, continuous monitoring, and excess emission reporting.

a. Each permit shall specify the date on which it becomes void if work on the installation for which it was issued has not been initiated.

b. Each permit shall list the requirements for notifying the department of the dates of intended startup, start of construction and actual equipment startup. All notifications shall be in writing and include the following information:

1. The date or dates required by 22.3(3) “b” for which the notice is being submitted.

2. Facility name.

3. Facility address.

4. DNR facility number.

5. DNR air construction permit number.

6. The name or the number of the emission unit or units in the notification.

7. The emission point number or numbers in the notification.

8. The name and signature of a company official.

9. The date the notification was signed.

c. Each permit shall specify that no review has been undertaken on the various engineering aspects of the equipment other than the potential of the equipment for reducing air contaminant emissions.


e. If changes in the final plans and specifications are proposed by the permittee after a construction permit has been issued, a supplemental permit shall be obtained.

f. A permit is not transferable from one location to another or from one piece of equipment to another unless the equipment is portable. When portable equipment for which a permit has been issued is to be transferred from one location to another, the department shall be notified in writing at least 7 days prior to the transfer of the portable equipment to the new location. Written notification shall be submitted to the department through one of the following methods: electronic mail (email), mail delivery service (including U.S. Mail), hand delivery, facsimile (fax), or by electronic format specified by the department (at such time as an Internet-based submittal system or other, similar electronic submittal system becomes available). However, if the owner or operator is relocating the portable equipment to an area currently
classified as nonattainment for ambient air quality standards or to an area under a maintenance plan for ambient air quality standards, the owner or operator shall notify the department at least 14 days prior to transferring the portable equipment to the new location. A list of nonattainment and maintenance areas may be obtained from the department, upon request, or on the department’s Internet website. The owner or operator will be notified by the department at least 10 days prior to the scheduled relocation if said relocation will prevent the attainment or maintenance of ambient air quality standards and thus require a more stringent emission standard and the installation of additional control equipment. In such a case, the owner or operator shall obtain a supplemental permit prior to the initiation of construction, installation, or alteration of such additional control equipment.

   g. The issuance of a permit (approval to construct) shall not relieve any owner or operator of the responsibility to comply fully with applicable provisions of the state implementation plan and any other requirement under local, state or federal law.

   22.3(4) Denial of a permit.

   a. When an application for a construction permit is denied, the applicant shall be notified in writing of the reasons therefor. A denial shall be without prejudice to the right of the applicant to file a further application after revisions are made to meet the objections specified as reasons for the denial.

   b. The department may deny an application based upon the applicant’s failure to provide a signed statement of the applicant’s legal entitlement to install and operate equipment covered by the permit application on the property identified in the permit application.

   22.3(5) Modification of a permit. The director may, after public notice of such decision, modify a condition of approval of an existing permit for a major stationary source or an emission limit contained in an existing permit for a major stationary source if necessary to attain or maintain an ambient air quality standard, or to mitigate excessive deposition of mercury.

   22.3(6) Limits on hazardous air pollutants. The department may limit a source’s hazardous air pollutant potential to emit, as defined at rule 567—22.100(455B), in the source’s construction permit for the purpose of establishing federally enforceable limits on the source’s hazardous air pollutant potential to emit.

   22.3(7) Revocation of a permit. The department may revoke a permit upon obtaining knowledge that a permit holder has lost legal entitlement to use the property identified in the permit to install and operate equipment covered by the permit, upon notice that the property owner does not wish to have continued the operation of the permitted equipment, or upon notice that the owner of the permitted equipment no longer wishes to retain the permit for future operation.

   22.3(8) Ownership change of permitted equipment. The new owner shall notify the department in writing no later than 30 days after the change in ownership of equipment covered by a construction permit pursuant to rule 567—22.1(455B). The notification to the department shall be mailed to the Air Quality Bureau, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 502 East 9th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, and shall include the following information:

   a. The date of ownership change;

   b. The name, address and telephone number of the responsible official, the contact person and the owner of the equipment both before and after ownership change; and

   c. The construction permit number of the equipment changing ownership.

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