

License Level Required for Domestic Wastewater Facilities

Treatment System¹	Permitted Daily Average Flow²	Minimum Chief Operator Level³
No Discharge Treatment Systems	All flows with a disposal system other than a subsurface area drip dispersal system	D
	All flows with subsurface area drip dispersal systems	C
Pond Systems Preceded by Imhoff Tanks, Primary Clarifiers, or Facultative Lagoons	1.0 million gallons per day (MGD) or less	D
	Greater than 1.0 MGD	C
Activated Sludge (Extended Aeration Mode) and Oxidation Ditch Systems	0.10 MGD or less	D
	Greater than 0.10 MGD to 1.0 MGD	C
	Greater than 1.0 MGD to 10.0 MGD	B
	Greater than 10.0 MGD	A
Activated Sludge (Modes other than Extended Aeration)	0.050 MGD or less	D
	Greater than 0.050 MGD to 1.0 MGD	C
	Greater than 1.0 MGD to 10.0 MGD	B
	Greater than 10.0 MGD	A
Trickling Filter, Rotating Biological Contactor, or other Fixed Film Processes	0.50 MGD or less	D
	Greater than 0.50 MGD to 2.0 MGD	C
	Greater than 2.0 MGD to 10.0 MGD	B
	Greater than 10.0 MGD	A

1. A wastewater treatment facility having a combination of treatment processes that are in different categories will be assigned the higher category.
2. The executive director may increase the treatment-facility category for facilities that include unusually complex processes or present unusual operation or maintenance conditions.
3. Where shift operation is necessary, each shift that does not have the on-site supervision of the chief operator must be supervised by an operator in responsible charge who is licensed at not less than one level below the category of the facility.

Note: Category D wastewater treatment facilities will be reclassified as Category C facilities if any of the following conditions exist:

- the facility incorporates anaerobic sludge digestion, except Imhoff tanks with sludge drawn off to drying beds;
- the facility permits nutrient reduction; or
- the facility permit requires the final effluent to meet a daily (five-day) average biochemical oxygen demand or total suspended solids concentration less than 10 mg/L.