

Small Business & Local Gov't Assistance

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SBLGA

Our **primary** function is to provide compliance assistance to small business and small local gov'ts.



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Our Customers

- **Small businesses**
 - Independently owned & operated
 - 100 or fewer employees
- **Trade associations**



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Our Customers

- **Local gov'ts**
 - Cities with a pop. of 50,000 or less
 - Counties with a pop. of 100,000 or less
 - ISDs serving a pop. of 100,000 or less



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Our Customers

- **Outside organizations**
 - City environmental & code enforcement
 - County environmental & code enf.
 - COGs
 - Economic development programs



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How Can SBLGA Help?

- **Technical assistance**
- **Outreach**
- **Advocacy**



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Technical Assistance

- **One-on-one assistance**
 - onsite, in the office or on the phone
- **Compliance Assistance Hotline**
 - 800-447-2827
- TexasEnviroHelp@tceq.texas.gov



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Technical Assistance

- **Contractor programs**
 - EnviroMentor (EM)
 - Financial, Managerial & Technical (FMT)



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Outreach

- **Publications & Tools**
 - “Blue Waste Book” RG-234
 - Storm Water Worksheets
 - PST Super Guide
 - *The Advocate*



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Outreach

- **Workshops & Presentations**
 - Trade Fair
 - Media Specific
 - Industry Specific



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Outreach

- **Website**

- www.TexasEnviroHelp.org
 - Media specific
 - Industry specific
 - Special topics



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TexasEnviroHelp - Small Business and Local Government Assistance

Resources specifically tailored to help small businesses and local governments comply with environmental regulations.



The Small Business and Local Government Assistance (SBLGA) program provides confidential technical assistance without the threat of enforcement.

- Call us toll free at 1-800-447-2827.
- Find the nearest [Compliance Assistance Specialist](#).
- Read more about rule changes that impact small businesses and local governments in *The Advocate*.

Learn more about environmental compliance assistance

- [Small Business Assistance](#)
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Search by Environmental Issue

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Common Resources

- [Guidance on the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act](#)
- [Assistance Tools for Stormwater Permitting](#)
- [Assistance Tools for Minor Sources of Nitrogen Oxides](#)
- [Due Dates to Remember](#)
- [30 Texas Administrative Code](#)



Hot Topics

HOT PST Workshops: How to Prepare for a UST Investigation

The TCEQ is hosting FREE workshops for underground storage tank owners, based on a UST Compliance Notebook.

HOT Revised Total Coliform Rule Workshops

The TCEQ is hosting FREE workshops for Public Drinking Water Systems to assist in complying with the Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR).

Subscribe to *The Advocate*
Sign up to receive an e-mail or text alert when the TCEQ posts

articles online regarding compliance issues and regulatory concerns that affect small businesses and local governments.

Advocacy

- **Rulemaking**
 - Rule teams
 - Stakeholder meetings



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Rural Ombudsman

- Helps bring real-world experience from small LGs to the TCEQ for policy and rule development
- Works directly with small local gov'ts to navigate agency programs



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Rural Ombudsman

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How we Help

- **Air Issues**
 - Air authorizations
 - Emission calculations
 - Recordkeeping



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How we Help

- **Stormwater Issues**

- Applicability
- SWP3 development
- ePermitting



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How we Help

- **PWS & Wastewater Issues**
 - Unapproved PWS systems
 - DMR completions
 - Recordkeeping & Reporting
 - Asset Management



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How we Help

- **Waste Issues**
 - Waste determinations
 - Generator status
 - PST compliance assistance



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Confidentiality Policy

- **Federal Clean Air Act Amendments**
 - Section 507
- **Imminent Threat**



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