

General Guidance on the Application Process
TPDES General Permit TXG920000
Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations

Obtaining Coverage

1. Obtain a copy of the permit, the notice of intent (NOI), and other information from the TCEQ website at: <http://www.tnrc.state.tx.us/permitting/waterperm/wwperm/tpdesgen.html>
2. Review Part II of the permit, "Permit Applicability and Coverage", to determine if you qualify for coverage under the general permit.
3. Develop a pollution prevention plan according to the requirements in Part III of the permit, "Permit Requirements."
4. Complete a NOI, sign according to the requirements of 30 TAC § 305.44(a) (relating to Signatories to Applications), and submit the application to the TCEQ with a check for the application fee.

Submission of the NOI is an acknowledgment that the conditions of this general permit are applicable to the proposed discharge, and that the applicant agrees to comply with the conditions of this general permit. Provisional authorization to discharge under the terms and conditions of this general permit begins 48 hours after a completed NOI is postmarked for delivery to the TCEQ. The NOI will require the following information:

- (a) the legal name and address of the operator;
 - (b) the facility name and address;
 - (c) the location of the CAFO;
 - (d) the latitude and longitude of the production area;
 - (e) a description and the size of the CAFO facility;
 - (f) the number and type of animals and their housing situation;
 - (g) the type of containment;
 - (h) the retention control structures capacity;
 - (i) the estimated amount of waste and wastewater generated per year;
 - (j) the estimated amount of waste and wastewater transferred offsite per year; and
 - (k) a description of the land application area including the irrigated acreage, the estimated land application rate, and a topographic map depicting the site.
5. If the TCEQ determines the NOI is administratively complete, a letter will be mailed to the applicant acknowledging coverage and providing the site-specific authorization number for that facility.
 6. Construction of new retention control structures can begin following submittal of the NOI.

Change in Ownership

1. Current permittee must submit a notice of termination (NOT).
2. Applicant must follow the previously described application process and submit a NOI.
3. The NOT and NOI must be submitted at least 10 days prior to the change.

Changes in Information on a Previously Submitted NOI

1. Permittee must submit a Notice of Change (NOC) letter with supplemental or corrected information within 14 days following:
 - (a) the time when the operator becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts or incorrect information in the NOI or NOI attachments; or
 - (b) the time when relevant facts in the NOI or NOI attachments change (i.e., phone number, P.O. Box, an increase in the number of animals authorized for confinement, or a change to the facility's topographic map).