

1.01 AIR QUALITY GENERAL PERMITS TO CONSTRUCT

- ❑ *Question: Am I planning on installing new equipment or modifying, replacing or moving existing equipment that is included in the list below and will be a source of air emissions?*

Why do I need this approval?

General permits with standardized permit conditions have been established for businesses with the following equipment:

- Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaning Equipment
- Charbroilers and Pit Barbeques
- Small and Medium Fuel Burning Equipment
- Small, Medium, and Large Vehicle Refueling Facilities
- Off-Road Gasoline Refueling Facilities
- Groundwater Air Strippers and Soil Vapor Extraction
- Sheetfed, Non-Heatset, Lithographic Printers
- Vehicle Refinishing (autobody)
- Ready-Mix Concrete Batch Plants
- Emergency Generators

If you perform any of the above, a general permit makes the permitting process easier and quicker. Permits to construct establish the conditions and limitations for the operation so that appropriate emissions controls are included in the design of the facility.

What laws or regulations give MDE the legal authority to issue this approval?

STATE: Environment Article, Title 2, Subtitle 4; COMAR 26.11.02.

What is the process to get this approval?

1) Complete a "request for coverage" form. To request a general permit to construct package call (410) 537-3230 or go to <https://mde.maryland.gov/airpermits>.

2) Mail the completed form and payment to:

MDE/ARA
P.O. Box 2037
Baltimore MD 21203-2037

Coverage under the general permit becomes effective on the date the Department receives the completed request for coverage form and fee. The Department mails a letter acknowledging the receipt of the request and fee payment.

Are there any other requirements?

To obtain coverage under the general permit, all applicability requirements listed in the air quality general permit to construct package must be met. Each package is different based on the type of business activity covered.

How long should I expect it to take to get this approval once I submit a complete application?

30 days

Once I get this approval, how long will it last?

This is a one-time permit required prior to construction and/or installation or modification of the regulated emission source. If construction or installation does not take place within 18 months of permit issuance, then approval terminates.

How much will this approval cost?

Type of Equipment	Fee per Operation
Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaning Equipment	\$500
Charbroilers and Pit Barbeques	\$100
Small Fuel Burning Equipment	\$400
Medium Fuel Burning Equipment	\$500
Small, Medium, and Large Vehicle Refueling Facilities	\$200
Off-Road Gasoline Refueling Facilities	\$200
Groundwater Air Strippers and Soil Vapor Extraction	\$250
Sheetfed, Non-Heatset, Lithographic Printers	\$500
Vehicle Refinishing (autobody)	\$500
Ready-Mix Concrete Batch Plants	\$250
Emergency Generators	\$400

Who do I contact with additional questions?

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