

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION**

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DETERMINATION AND PUBLIC HEARING

General Permit for Discharges from Marinas (including boat yards and yacht basins)
Permit No. 25-MA (NPDES No. MDG99)

The Department proposes to reissue the State/NPDES (National Pollution Discharge Elimination System) general discharge permit for Discharges from Marinas including Boat Yards and Yacht Basins 16MA0000 / MDG99000 with the renewal designation of 25MA0000 (25MA). The permit applies to discharges of stormwater and certain wastewater from marinas, boat yards, and yacht basins in the State of Maryland. This permit replaces the 16MA, which expired on July 31, 2022.

Listed below are the revisions included in the Department's tentative determination:

- * Updated renewal language
- * Water monitoring and additional controls requirements in impaired watershed
- * Updated signage Requirement
- * Considerations to address climate adaptation
- * Clarification for owners responsibility in relation to slip holders doing their own work
- * PFAS considerations in the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
- * Updated Standard Permit conditions

The draft permit, fact sheet, appendices, and a detailed summary of changes are available on MDE's website at <https://mdewwp.page.link/MAGP>. Hard copies of these documents may also be obtained directly from the Department at a cost of \$0.36 per page.

A hybrid hearing has been scheduled for **December 2nd**, beginning at 6 PM. The in-person hearing will be held in the Queen Anne's County Library Kent Island Branch 200 Library Cir, Stevensville, MD 21666.

The virtual event may be joined via Google Meet. To participate online, you MUST register using the following link: <https://mdewwp.page.link/PublicMeetings>. There is also a phone listen-only option. Those who want to monitor the virtual hearing in listen-only mode can call +1 904-323-0437 and enter this PIN: 992 954 613#.

The in-person meeting location is accessible to individuals with disabilities as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Individuals who require reasonable accommodation or a language interpreter to participate in the meeting should contact MDE by email at mde.accommodations@maryland.gov or call 410-537-3152 (MD Relay TTY: 7-1-1) at least 5 business days in advance of the meeting.

Any hearing-impaired person may request an interpreter for the event by contacting the Office of Fair Practices at (410) 537-3964 at least ten working days before the scheduled hearing date. TTY users should contact the Maryland Relay Service at 1-800-201-7165.

Master general permits provide coverage throughout the state of Maryland. An Environmental Justice score cannot be calculated since they are not associated with any specific location. Thus, they are not subject to MD Environmental Article § 1-602(a)(2).

Persons who wish to make a comment regarding the draft permit may speak at the public hearing or submit written comments to the Department no later than 5:00 PM on **December 9, 2026**. Written comments may be submitted by mail, email or fax. Mail comments to the Maryland Department of the Environment, Water and Science Administration, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Ste. 455, Baltimore, MD 21230-1708, Attn: Paul Hlavinka, Industrial Stormwater Permits Division. Email comments to Paul.Hlavinka@Maryland.gov. Fax comments to (410) 537-3163, attention Paul Hlavinka. Any questions regarding the proposed permit should be directed to Casey Leach at casey.leach@Maryland.gov or by telephone at 410-537-3323, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday.