MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION
NOTICE OF FINAL DETERMINATION
General Permit for Discharges from Tanks, Pipes, Other Liquid Containment Structures, Dewatering Activities, and Groundwater Remediation: 25HT, NPDES Permit: MDG67

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) has made a final determination to reissue the State/National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Discharges from Tanks, Pipes, Other Liquid Containment Structures, Dewatering Activities, and Groundwater Remediation. The Maryland General Permit No. 25HT replaces the Maryland General Permit No. 17HT, which expired on July 31, 2025.

A public notice on the tentative determination to reissue the permit was published on June 26, 2026, in the Maryland Register and in twenty-two newspapers throughout the state of Maryland during the weeks of June 15 through June 26, 2026. The Department held a hybrid public hearing concerning the tentative determination on Monday, August 24, 2026 starting at 4pm. In addition to the on-line hearing, the in-person hearing was held at the Owings Mills Branch of the Baltimore County Public Library. The Department received comments on the draft permit through August 13, 2026.

After considering all comments received during the comment period, the Department has made a final determination to issue the permit. Listed below are the major revisions to the tentative determination included in the Department's final determination:

*The reference to Note (16) in the tables under Category D is removed (typographical error, as there is no Note (16)).
*Category B includes additional language to clarify it covers hydrants associated with potable water systems.
*Category C, Narrative Requirement 5 has been updated to remove the reference to reporting because this category is not subject to numerical reporting.
*Category E has been updated, including a title change and clarifying language, a tiered monitoring schedule based on flow for certain parameters, and additional narrative requirements for chlorine.
*Language in Part II.C.2.b has been updated to address concerns with LLC signatory requirements.
*Part IV.E has been updated to provide clarity regarding notification requirements.
*Part V.M.6 has been removed to address security/restriction concerns.

Any person adversely affected by this final determination may file a petition for judicial review. Petitions for judicial review of a final determination or permit decision subject to judicial review must be filed in accordance with §1-605 of the Environment Article no later than December 7, 2026 and must be filed in a circuit court in Maryland. Petitions for judicial review must conform to the applicable Maryland Rules of Civil Procedure. Failure to file a petition for judicial review by December 7, 2026, will constitute a waiver of any right to a judicial review of this final determination.

To view and print the final permit and response documents, you may use this link https://mdewwp.page.link/HTGP.

Any questions should be directed to the Maryland Department of the Environment, Water Management Administration, 1800 Washington Blvd., Ste. 455, Baltimore, MD 21230-1708, Attn: Jonathan Rice, Industrial and General Permits Division, at jonathan.rice@maryland.gov, or by telephone at 410-537-3323 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies of the document may be obtained for $0.36 per page.

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