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Wastewater Reclamation Regulation Published

The final version of the Virginia regulation that establishes requirements for the reclamation and reuse of wastewater has been published in the Virginia Register and goes into effect on October 1, 2008. The Water Reclamation and Reuse Regulation—9VAC25-740, establishes requirements that increase protection of state waters and public health.

There are two sets of treatment standards and monitoring requirements for the reclamation of municipal wastewater and a provision to develop treatment standards for the reclamation of industrial wastewater on a case-by-case basis. The regulation specifies the required treatment standards and allows for the approval of other reuses and associated treatment standards corresponding with the quality of the reclaimed water and its intended reuse in six categories:

- urban – unrestricted access,
- irrigation – unrestricted access,
- irrigation – restricted access,
- landscape impoundments,
- construction, and
- industrial.

The regulation also details requirements for:

- application and permitting,
- design and construction,
- operation/maintenance of water reclamation systems and reclaimed water distribution systems,
- management of pollutants from significant industrial users,
- access control and signage,
- public education
- notification management of reclaimed water in use areas, and
- record keeping and reporting.

For read the entire regulation and note changes look in the September 1 issue of the Virginia Register of Regulations. It is available online at <http://legis.state.va.us/codecomm/register/vol24/iss26/v24i26.pdf>. For more information you may contact Valerie Rourke, (varourke@deq.virginia.gov), Virginia DEQ, at 804-698-4158. You may also contact Gary McCollum (gmccollum@daa.com) at 540-552-0444 or Tim Sexton (tsexton@daa.com) at 804-264-2228.

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