

WAC 173-303-809 Research, development and demonstration permits.

(1) The department may issue a research, development, and demonstration permit for any dangerous waste treatment facility which proposes to utilize an innovative and experimental dangerous waste treatment technology or process for which permit standards for such experimental activity have not been promulgated under WAC 173-303-500 through 173-303-695. Any such permit will include such terms and conditions as will assure protection of human health and the environment. Such permits:

(a) Will provide for the construction of such facilities as necessary, and for operation of the facility for not longer than one year unless renewed as provided in subsection (4) of this section; and

(b) Will provide for the receipt and treatment by the facility of only those types and quantities of dangerous waste which the department deems necessary for purposes of determining the efficacy and performance capabilities of the technology or process and the effects of such technology or process on human health and the environment; and

(c) Will include such requirements as the department deems necessary to protect human health and the environment (including, but not limited to, requirements regarding monitoring, operation, financial responsibility, closure, and remedial action), and such requirements as the department deems necessary regarding testing and providing of information to the department with respect to the operation of the facility.

(2) For the purpose of expediting review and issuance of permits under this section, the department may, consistent with the protection of human health and the environment, modify or waive permit application and permit issuance requirements in WAC 173-303-800 through 173-303-840 except that there may be no modification or waiver of regulations regarding financial responsibility (including insurance) or of procedures regarding public participation.

(3) The department may order an immediate termination of all operations at the facility at any time it determines that termination is necessary to protect human health and the environment.

(4) Any permit issued under this section may be renewed not more than three times. Each such renewal will be for a period of not more than one year.

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