WAC 173-304-400 Solid waste handling facility standards. (1) Applicability. The standards of WAC 173-304-405 through 173-304-490 are the solid waste handling facility standards and apply to all solid waste handling facilities, except for:

(a) Waste recycling facilities, whose standards are spelled out in WAC 173-304-300;

(b) On-site containerized storage, collection and transportation facilities which are spelled out in WAC 173-304-200;

(c) Single family residences and single family farms whose year round occupants engage in solid waste handling of the single family's solid waste on-site;

(d) Problem wastes as defined in WAC 173-304-100;

(e) Solid waste handling facilities that have engaged in closure and closed before the effective date of this regulation; and

(f) Domestic wastewater facilities and industrial wastewater facilities otherwise regulated by federal, state, or local water pollution permits except for any portion that utilizes or engages in landspreading disposal sludges or solid residues directly on the land.

(2) Standards for permits. The standards of WAC 173-304-405 through 173-304-490 shall be used as the basis for permitting as required in WAC 173-304-600.

(3) Effective dates.

(a) All existing facilities not in conformance with the following sections of the facility standards shall be placed upon compliance schedules under WAC 173-304-600 (1)(c) to assure full compliance within eighteen months of the effective date of this regulation for:

(i) The general facility standards, WAC 173-304-405;

(ii) The transfer stations, baling and compaction standards, WAC 173-304-410;

(iii) Groundwater monitoring required in WAC 173-304-490;

(iv) The landfill operating and maintenance standards, WAC 173-304-460(4);

(v) The tire pile standards of WAC 173-304-420(4); and

(vi) The landspreading disposal standards of WAC 173-304-450(5).

(b) All applicable solid waste facilities shall be in compliance with the general closure and post-closure standards of WAC 173-304-407 the financial assurance standards of WAC 173-304-467 and and 173-304-468 by twelve months after the effective date of WAC 173-304-407, 173-304-467, and 173-304-468, except for owners or operators of existing facilities that have a closure plan approved by the jurisdictional health department in a solid waste permit issued before the effective date of these amendments and are closing before November 27, 1989. Existing solid waste facilities shall be placed upon compliance schedules under WAC 173-304-600 (1)(c) to assure compliance by the effective date of this subsection.

(c) All existing solid waste facilities not in conformance with facility standards other than those in (a) and (b) of this subsection shall be placed upon compliance schedules under WAC 173-304-600 (1)(c) to assure full compliance within four years of the effective date of this regulation.

(d) All new and expanded facilities other than those in (b) of this subsection shall meet the facility standards of WAC 173-304-405 to 173-304-490 after the effective date of this regulation.

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