

WAC 173-303-283 Performance standards. (1) Purpose. This section provides general performance standards for designing, constructing, operating, and maintaining dangerous waste facilities.

(2) Applicability. This section applies to all dangerous waste facilities permitted under WAC 173-303-800 through 173-303-840. These general performance standards must be used to determine whether more stringent facility standards should be applied than those spelled out in WAC 173-303-280, 173-303-290 through 173-303-400 and 173-303-600 through 173-303-692.

(3) Performance standards. Unless authorized by state, local, or federal laws, or unless otherwise authorized in this regulation, the owner/operator must design, construct, operate, or maintain a dangerous waste facility that to the maximum extent practical given the limits of technology prevents:

- (a) Degradation of groundwater quality;
- (b) Degradation of air quality by open burning or other activities;
- (c) Degradation of surface water quality;
- (d) Destruction or impairment of flora and fauna outside the active portion of the facility;
- (e) Excessive noise;
- (f) Conditions that constitute a negative aesthetic impact for the public using rights of ways, or public lands, or for landowners of adjacent properties;
- (g) Unstable hillsides or soils as a result of trenches, impoundments, excavations, etc.;
- (h) The use of processes that do not treat, detoxify, recycle, reclaim, and recover waste material to the extent economically feasible; and
- (i) Endangerment of the health of employees, or the public near the facility.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 70.105 and 70.105D RCW. WSR 03-07-049 (Order 02-03), § 173-303-283, filed 3/13/03, effective 4/13/03; WSR 95-22-008 (Order 94-30), § 173-303-283, filed 10/19/95, effective 11/19/95. Statutory Authority: Chapter 70.105 RCW. WSR 88-18-083 (Order 88-29), § 173-303-283, filed 9/6/88.]