

2.06 OIL OPERATIONS PERMIT

*Question: Does my company have a total above ground tank capacity of 10,000 gallons or more for the storage of oil intended to be used as a motor fuel, lubricant or fuel source, including ethanol and biodiesel products? **OR***

*Question: Does my company have a total above ground tank capacity of 1,000 gallons or more for the storage of used oil? **OR***

*Question: Does my company transport oil within, into, or out of, the state in trucks, transports, or vacuum trucks having a hauling capacity of more than 500 gallons of oil? **OR***

Question: Does my company perform transfer operation of oil to or from any truck tank, transport, or tank car?

Why do I need this approval?

Any person who stores 10,000 gallons or more of oil intended to be used as a motor fuel, lubricant or fuel source in above ground tanks, who stores 1,000 gallons or more of used oil, who transports oil in or out of Maryland, or who operates an oil transfer facility must obtain this permit.

Any person who stores LESS than 10,000 gallons of non-edible oil in above ground tanks, LESS than 1,000 gallons of used oil or ANY quantity of edible oil not intended to be used as a motor fuel, lubricant or fuel source is NOT required to apply for this permit. These facilities are still responsible for meeting specific spill reporting, construction and attendance requirements in COMAR 26.10.01.

What laws or regulations give MDE the legal authority to issue this approval?

STATE: Environment Article - §4-405, Annotated Code of Maryland; COMAR 26.10.01.07.

What is the process to get this approval?

- 1) Applications should be submitted to:
Maryland Department of the Environment
1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 620
Baltimore, MD 21230-1720
Fax - (410) 537-3092
- 2) The Oil Control Program reviews the application and schedules with the applicant to inspect the site.
- 3) The Department issues or denies the permit.

Is this approval directly related or contingent on other approvals?

Any person who owns or operates a stationary gasoline storage tank greater than 2,000 gallons capacity is required to have an Air Quality General Permit to Construct (1.01).

A person who owns or operates a gasoline storage tank, 20,000 gallons or greater capacity, must apply for an individual Air Permit to Construct (1.02).

How long should I expect it to take to get this approval once I submit a complete application?
180 days

Once I get this approval, how long will it last?
5 years

How much will this approval cost?
No fee.

Who do I contact with additional questions?

AST and Permits Section
Oil Control Program
(410) 537-3442

Related link:

<https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/LAND/Pages/landpermits.aspx>