

1.01 AIR QUALITY GENERAL PERMITS TO CONSTRUCT

- *Question: Am I planning on installing new equipment or modifying, replacing or moving existing equipment that is included in the list below and will be a source of air emissions?*

Why do I need this approval?

General permits with standardized permit conditions have been established for businesses with the following equipment:

- Perchloroethylene dry cleaning equipment
- Charbroilers
- Pit barbecues
- Small fuel burning equipment
- Small stationary gasoline storage tanks
- Groundwater air stripper/soil vapor extraction systems
- Sheetfed non-heatset lithographic printers
- Vehicle refinishing (autobody)
- Medium fuel burning equipment
- Ready-Mix Concrete Batch Plants

If you perform any of the above, a general permit makes the permitting process easier and quicker. Permits to construct establish the conditions and limitations for the operation so that appropriate emissions controls are included in the design of the facility.

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

STATE: Environment Article, Title 2, Subtitle 4; COMAR 26.11.02.

What is the process to get this approval?

1) Complete a "request for coverage" form. To request a general permit to construct package call (410) 537-3230 or go to <https://mde.maryland.gov/airpermits>.

2) Mail the completed form and payment to:
MDE/ARA
P.O. Box 2037
Baltimore MD 21203-2037

Coverage under the general permit becomes effective on the date the Department receives the completed request for coverage form and fee. The Department mails a letter acknowledging the receipt of the request and fee payment.

Are there any other requirements?

To obtain coverage under the general permit, all applicability requirements listed in the air quality general permit to construct package must be met. Each package is different based on the type of business activity covered.

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

30 days

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

This is a one-time permit required prior to construction and/or installation or modification of the regulated emission source. If construction or installation does not take place within 18 months of permit issuance, then approval terminates.

How much will this approval cost?

Type of Equipment	Fee per Operation
Charbroiler or pit barbecue	\$200
Small stationary gasoline storage tank farm	\$200
Groundwater air stripper/soil vapor extraction system	\$250
Perchloroethylene dry cleaning equipment	\$500
Small fuel burning equipment	\$500
Printing operation	\$500
Vehicle refinishing operation	\$500
Medium fuel burning equipment	\$500
Ready-Mix concrete batch plant	\$250

Who do I contact with additional questions?

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