

# Air

## Construction and Operation (Greenfield) Permit

**What Activities Require This Permit?** Construction and operation of a source subject to an applicable standard, requirement or rule that emits any regulated air pollutant including facilities subject to Section 112 of the Clean Air Act. Certain exemptions apply. General, small, synthetic minor or Title V permit may be required based on specific emissions quantities or locations.

**What Is The Purpose of This Permit?** To reduce adverse effects of industrial and other activities on air quality and to protect the health of the citizens of North Carolina.

**Who Issues This Permit?** N.C. Division of Air Quality (DAQ), Permitting Section and Regional Offices.

**How Much Will This Permit Cost?** Fees for greenfield permits are as follows:

Facility Category	Fee
Title V	\$9,485*
Synthetic Minor	\$400
Small	\$50
General	50% of the otherwise applicable fee

A full list of current annual and application fees can be found at [https://ncdenr.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/Air%20Quality/permits/Fee\\_Table\\_and\\_Guide.pdf](https://ncdenr.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/Air%20Quality/permits/Fee_Table_and_Guide.pdf).

\* Pursuant to 15A NCAC 02Q.0200 rules, these fees reflect the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase this year effective March 1, 2014.

**What Are My Payment Options for Permit Application Fees?** Currently the DAQ only accepts checks for payment of the Permit Application Fees.

**If Paying by Check, Who do I Make the Check Payable to and Where Do I Send the Check?** Permit Application Fees are to be submitted with the completed application. If payment for the requested modification is required, the application will be considered incomplete for processing until the check is received. The check should be made payable to DEQ Division of Air Quality. Please note: The Raleigh Central Office Permitting Section (address provided below) receives permit applications for Title V and NSR/PSD facilities. Small and Synthetic Minor permit applications should be submitted to the [Regional Office](#) where the facility is located.

Attn: William Willets, Chief, Permitting Section  
Division of Air Quality  
1641 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1641

**Where Can I Get The Application For This Permit?** <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/air-quality/air-quality-permits/application-forms-instructions>

**How Long Will It Take To Review My Application?** If the draft permit is not required to go to public notice or to public hearing, the director shall issue or deny the permit within 90 days of receipt of a complete application or 10 days after receipt of requested additional information, whichever is later. If a public notice is required, the notice typically lasts for 30 days. Time associated with a public hearing (if required) and the Division of Air Quality response is not included herein.

**Where Do I Submit My Application?** DAQ Regional Office appropriate for your location: <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/air-quality/regional-offices>.

**How Long Is My Permit or License or Certificate Valid?** Title V permits are issued for five years. All others (i.e., Generals, Smalls and Synthetic Minors) are issued for eight years.

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**Notes/Comments:** In regard to application submittal, the application fee, responsible official, appropriate number of copies and zoning consistency must be addressed before an application can be considered complete.

All DAQ permits are subject to renewals.

**Link:** <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/air-quality>

**Statewide Contact Information:**

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