

## **Environmental Compliance and COVID-19**

On March 26, 2020, EPA issued a <u>guidance document</u> outlining temporary policy regarding the enforcement of environmental legal obligations for noncompliance resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Similarly, many state environmental agencies have also issued their own temporary enforcement discretion guidance, some expanding the EPA's discretion while others are warning that compliance is still required and violations will be pursued. Below are links to the states' guidance, which will be updated as more information becomes available.

If you need any assistance or have any questions about compliance, please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@icac.com">info@icac.com</a>.

Alabama: n/a

Alaska: <a href="https://dec.alaska.gov/air/air-compliance/covid-19-caused-non-compliance-concerns/">https://dec.alaska.gov/air/air-compliance/covid-19-caused-non-compliance-concerns/</a>

**Arizona**: <a href="https://static.azdeq.gov/dir/adeqepacovid19memo.pdf">https://static.azdeq.gov/dir/adeqepacovid19memo.pdf</a>

**Arkansas**: <a href="https://www.adeq.state.ar.us/home/hot\_topics/pdfs/energy-and-environment-enforcement-guidance.pdf">https://www.adeq.state.ar.us/home/hot\_topics/pdfs/energy-and-environment-enforcement-guidance.pdf</a>

**California**: <a href="https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/message-chair-mary-d-nichols-and-executive-officer-richard-w-corey-carbs-response-covid-19">https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/message-chair-mary-d-nichols-and-executive-officer-richard-w-corey-carbs-response-covid-19</a>

**Colorado**: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WPHQ42OAE-9wJRG7">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WPHQ42OAE-9wJRG7</a> HPaurRkckToG5h8/view?usp=sharing

**Connecticut**: https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/COVID-19/DEEP-COVID-19-Response

**Delaware**: https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/coronavirus/

Florida: <a href="https://floridadep.gov/sites/default/files/EFO">https://floridadep.gov/sites/default/files/EFO</a> Due to the Effects of COVID-19 - OGC 20-0239.pdf

**Georgia**: <a href="https://epd.georgia.gov/document/document/response-questions-about-covid-19-implications-epdu2019s-compliance-and/download">https://epd.georgia.gov/document/document/response-questions-about-covid-19-implications-epdu2019s-compliance-and/download</a>

Hawai'i: <a href="https://health.hawaii.gov/news/covid-19-updates/">https://health.hawaii.gov/news/covid-19-updates/</a>

Idaho: https://www.deq.idaho.gov/assistance-resources/covid-19-response/



Illinois: https://www2.illinois.gov/IISNews/21289-

IEPA Temporarily Closes All Vehicle Emissions Testing Stations.pdf

Indiana: <a href="https://www.in.gov/idem/files/coronavirus">https://www.in.gov/idem/files/coronavirus</a> enforcement discretion.pdf

lowa: <a href="https://www.iowadnr.gov/about-dnr/social-media-press-room/disaster-">https://www.iowadnr.gov/about-dnr/social-media-press-room/disaster-</a>

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Kansas: n/a

**Kentucky**: <a href="https://kydep.wordpress.com/2020/03/18/ky-energy-and-environment-cabinet-services-and-covid-19-in-person-closure-information/">https://kydep.wordpress.com/2020/03/18/ky-energy-and-environment-cabinet-services-and-covid-19-in-person-closure-information/</a>

**Louisiana**: <a href="https://www.deq.louisiana.gov/assets/docs/Covid-19/Second-Amended-Declaration-of-Emergency-COVID-19-03-27-20.pdf">https://www.deq.louisiana.gov/assets/docs/Covid-19/Second-Amended-Declaration-of-Emergency-COVID-19-03-27-20.pdf</a>

Maine: https://www.maine.gov/dep/coronavirus.html#air

Maryland: <a href="https://mde.maryland.gov/Pages/MDE-COVID-19-Update.aspx">https://mde.maryland.gov/Pages/MDE-COVID-19-Update.aspx</a>

Massachusetts: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdeps-covid-19-information-resources">https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdeps-covid-19-information-resources</a>

Michigan: https://www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135--523592--,00.html

Minnesota: <a href="https://www.pca.state.mn.us/covid-19/covid-19-and-regulatory-flexibility">https://www.pca.state.mn.us/covid-19/covid-19-and-regulatory-flexibility</a>

**Mississippi**: https://www.mdeq.ms.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/COVID-19-MDEQ-Guidance-Document.pdf

**Missouri**: <a href="https://dnr.mo.gov/docs/2020-03-24-requests-for-regulatory-relief-due-to-covid-19-impacts.pdf">https://dnr.mo.gov/docs/2020-03-24-requests-for-regulatory-relief-due-to-covid-19-impacts.pdf</a>

Montana: https://deq.mt.gov/Portals/112/Updates/DIR-080 DiscretionGuidance.pdf

Nebraska: http://deq.ne.gov/NDEQProg.nsf/onWeb/COVID

**Nevada**: n/a

**New Hampshire**: <a href="https://www.des.nh.gov/covid19/documents/20200410-air-emissions-permit-information.pdf">https://www.des.nh.gov/covid19/documents/20200410-air-emissions-permit-information.pdf</a>

**New Jersey:** n/a



**New Mexico**: n/a

New York: <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/press/119996.html">https://www.dec.ny.gov/press/119996.html</a>

North Carolina: https://deq.nc.gov/news/press-releases/2020/03/30/memo-state-

environmental-enforcement-during-covid-19

**North Dakota**: n/a

Ohio: https://www.epa.state.oh.us/covid19

Oklahoma: https://www.deq.ok.gov/wp-content/uploads/external-affairs/Scanned-from-a-

Xerox-Multifunction-Printer-1.pdf

Oregon: <a href="https://www.oregon.gov/deg/Pages/covid-19.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/deg/Pages/covid-19.aspx</a>

Pennsylvania: <a href="https://www.dep.pa.gov/Pages/AlertDetails.aspx">https://www.dep.pa.gov/Pages/AlertDetails.aspx</a>

Rhode Island: <a href="http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/media/covid19.php#bep">http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/media/covid19.php#bep</a>

**South Carolina**: <a href="https://www.scdhec.gov/environmental-regulatory-assistance-covid-19">https://www.scdhec.gov/environmental-regulatory-assistance-covid-19</a>

**South Dakota**: *n/a* 

**Tennessee**: https://www.tn.gov/environment/covid19.html

**Texas:** <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/covid-19/regulated-entities-reporting-">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/covid-19/regulated-entities-reporting-</a>

requirements

**Utah**: <a href="https://documents.deq.utah.gov/admin/compliance/2020-03-30-daq-regulatory-">https://documents.deq.utah.gov/admin/compliance/2020-03-30-daq-regulatory-</a>

guidance-during-covid-19-pandemic.pdf

**Vermont**: <a href="https://anr.vermont.gov/sites/anr/files/emergencyinfo/enforcement-discretion-">https://anr.vermont.gov/sites/anr/files/emergencyinfo/enforcement-discretion-</a>

covid-19-guidance.pdf

Virginia:

https://www.deq.virginia.gov/Portals/0/DEQ/ConnectwithDEQ/EnvironmentalInformation/COV

ID19/COVID-19compliance.pdf

Washington: https://ecology.wa.gov/About-us/Get-to-know-us/Coronavirus-

<u>Updates/Regulatory-flexibility</u>



**West Virginia**: <a href="https://dep.wv.gov/news/Pages/WVDEP-still-enforcing-all-applicable-rules-and-regulations-amid-COVID-19-pandemic.aspx">https://dep.wv.gov/news/Pages/WVDEP-still-enforcing-all-applicable-rules-and-regulations-amid-COVID-19-pandemic.aspx</a>

Wisconsin: https://dnr.wi.gov/emergency/COVID19Compliance.html

**Wyoming**: <a href="http://deq.wyoming.gov/media/attachments/COVID-19/COVID-19%20Temporary%20Guidance.pdf">http://deq.wyoming.gov/media/attachments/COVID-19/COVID-19%20Temporary%20Guidance.pdf</a>

United States: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2020-03/documents/oecamemooncovid19implications.pdf">https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2020-03/covid-03/documents/oecamemooncovid19implications.pdf</a>
<a href="https://www.stateside.com/sites/default/files/2020-03/Covid-19%20Overview\_31720\_947a\_public.pdf">https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2020-03/covid-19implications.pdf</a>
<a href="https://www.stateside.com/sites/default/files/2020-03/Covid-19%20Overview\_31720\_947a\_public.pdf">https://www.stateside.com/sites/default/files/2020-03/Covid-19%20Overview\_31720\_947a\_public.pdf</a>

