



State of Mississippi
Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Pollution Control



SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT GENERAL PERMIT

TO OPERATE A SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
REGULATIONS GOVERNING SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

THIS CERTIFIES THAT

facility owners granted a *Certificate of Coverage* under this permit
are granted permission to operate a

MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION

This permit is issued in accordance with the provisions of the Mississippi Code, Annotated, and
the regulations and guidelines adopted and promulgated thereunder.

Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board



Authorized Signature

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

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KEY:

ACT = Activity

SOLID WASTE = Mississippi Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management Regulations

PERMIT BOARD = Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board

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Facility Requirements

ACT1 Introduction:

Narrative Requirements:

Condition No.	Condition
T-1	<p>This Solid Waste General Permit authorizes the operation of a Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station.</p> <p>A Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station is a fixed facility used for the primary purpose of transferring municipal solid wastes from one solid waste transportation vehicle to another for transport to materials recovery or disposal sites.</p> <p>Municipal solid waste means any nonhazardous solid waste resulting from the operation of residential, commercial, governmental, industrial or institutional establishments except oil field exploration and production wastes and sewage sludge.</p>
T-2	<p>This permit is issued in accordance with the provisions of the Mississippi Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management Regulations for the group of facilities that involve municipal solid waste collection and transfer and have similar operating requirements and conditions.</p>
T-3	<p>Terms used in this permit are defined in the Mississippi Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management Regulations, Section I.C and are incorporated herein and adopted by reference, unless otherwise defined within this permit.</p>
T-4	<p>Changes, alterations or modifications of the Mississippi Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management Regulations which pertain to the conditions of this general permit shall supersede and replace the affected conditions of this general permit. The coverage recipient shall comply with the conditions of the Mississippi Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management Regulations.</p>

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ACT2 Coverage Under This Permit:

Narrative Requirements:

Condition No.	Condition
T-1	<p>Permit Area:</p> <p>This permit covers all areas of the State of Mississippi.</p>
T-2	<p>Eligibility:</p> <p>This permit covers all Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations, except for those sites where an individual permit or coverage under an alternate general permit has been determined appropriate by the Department.</p>
T-3	<p>Effect of Permit:</p> <p>The owner of any facility covered by this permit shall operate the facility in accordance with state regulations, applicable federal regulations and the conditions of this permit.</p>
T-4	<p>Permit Actions:</p> <p>This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for just cause. The filing of a request for permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination does not stay the applicability or enforceability of any permit condition contained herein.</p>
T-5	<p>Severability:</p> <p>The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances and the remainder of this permit shall not be affected thereby.</p>
T-6	<p>Duty to Comply:</p> <p>Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the solid waste laws and regulations promulgated thereunder and is grounds for enforcement action or coverage termination.</p>

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ACT2 Coverage Under This Permit (continued):

Narrative Requirements:

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T-7	<p>Duty to Mitigate:</p> <p>The owner of any facility covered by this permit shall take all reasonable steps to minimize, prevent, and/or correct any adverse impact on human health and the environment resulting from noncompliance with this permit.</p>
T-8	<p>Duty to Provide Information:</p> <p>The owner of any facility covered by this permit shall furnish to the Department, within a reasonable time, any relevant information which the Department may request to determine compliance with this permit.</p>
T-9	<p>Inspection and Entry:</p> <p>The owner/operator of any facility covered by this permit shall allow an authorized representative of the Department, upon the presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Enter onto the owner's premises where a regulated activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;2. Have access to and copy at reasonable times any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;3. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment, practices and/or operations;4. Sample and/or monitor at reasonable times for the purposes of assuring permit compliance.

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ACT2 Coverage Under This Permit (continued):

Narrative Requirements:

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T-10 Coverage Transfer:

A transfer of coverage under this permit shall be made prior to any sale, conveyance, or assignment of the rights in the coverage held by the permittee.

Any change of more than 50 percent of the equity ownership of the facility or permittee over a sustained period resulting in a new majority owner shall constitute a transfer. A new majority owner for the purposes of this condition shall be an individual, partnership, company, or group of affiliated companies.

A request for coverage transfer shall be submitted on forms provided by the Department. The transfer must be approved by the Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board (Permit Board) or the Permit Board's authorized designee (designee).

T-11 Property Rights:

It is the responsibility of the owner of any facility covered under this permit to possess or acquire and maintain a sufficient interest in or right to the use of the property for which the certificate of coverage is issued, including the access route.

The issuance of coverage under this permit does not convey any property rights or interest in either real or personal property; nor does it authorize any injury to private property, invasion of personal rights, or impairment of previous contract rights; nor any infringement of Federal, State or local laws or regulations outside the scope of the authority under which this coverage is issued.

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ACT3 Obtaining Coverage:

Submittal/Action Requirements:

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S-1 Application Submittal:

Owners of a proposed and/or existing facility shall submit a Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station Application for coverage or re-coverage under the Statewide General Permit in accordance with the Mississippi Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management Regulations.

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T-1 How to Obtain Recoverage Under the Reissued Permit

At such time as the Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station General Permit is reissued, active coverage recipients will receive a recoverage application. If a coverage recipient intends to be covered by the current Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station General Permit, the recoverage application must be completed and returned within 90 days of the General Permit re-issuance or by such date as identified within the application package issued by the Department.

Failure to submit a complete application for recoverage by the date specified by the Department shall be considered a request by the coverage recipient to terminate coverage.

T-2 Authorization:

Owners are authorized to operate the Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station under the terms and conditions of this permit upon receipt of a Certificate of Coverage. Upon review of the application, the Permit Board or its designee may issue or deny coverage, require an individual permit, or require coverage under an alternate general permit.

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ACT3 Obtaining Coverage (continued):

Narrative Requirements:

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T-3	<p data-bbox="254 586 869 610">Requiring an Individual Permit or Alternate General Permit:</p> <ol data-bbox="254 646 1946 990" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="254 646 1946 732">1. The Permit Board or designee may require any person covered under this general permit to apply for and obtain either an individual permit or coverage under an alternate general permit. If a person fails to submit the required application by the date specified by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (Department), the Permit Board or designee may terminate coverage under this permit.<li data-bbox="254 760 1946 816">2. Any person covered under this permit may request to be excluded from permit coverage by applying for an individual permit or coverage under another applicable general permit. In such instances, the person shall submit an individual application to the Department.<li data-bbox="254 844 1946 901">3. Coverage under this permit is automatically terminated upon the issuance or coverage date of the respective individual or alternate general permit. When an individual permit or coverage under an alternate general permit is denied, coverage under this permit continues unless terminated by the Permit Board or designee.<li data-bbox="254 928 1946 990">4. If there is evidence indicating significant potential or realized adverse impacts on human health or the environment due to an activity covered by this permit, the owner may be required to obtain an individual permit or coverage under an alternate general permit or to otherwise correct the adverse impact(s).

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ACT3 Obtaining Coverage (continued):

Narrative Requirements:

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T-4 Signature Requirements:

An application for the issuance, re-issuance, modification or transfer of this coverage and all reports required by this permit or other information requested by the Permit Board shall be signed as follows:

1. For a corporation: a president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision-making functions for the corporation;
2. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: a general partner or the proprietor, respectively;
3. For a municipality, county, state, federal, or other public agency, either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official;
4. The signature of a Duly Authorized Representative (DAR) shall be a valid signature under this permit, in lieu of the signatures described within this condition, provided the following conditions are met:
 - a) The DAR is an employee of the entity seeking the solid waste coverage.
 - b) The DAR is identified to the Department by the ranking officer of the corporation, partnership, proprietorship, municipality, county, state, federal or other public agency.
 - c) The DAR is responsible for the overall management of the solid waste facility.

T-5 Coverage Requirement:

Except as provided in state regulations, operation of a Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station without an individual permit or coverage under a general permit is a violation of state law.

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ACT4 Expiration, Reissuance and Modification:

Narrative Requirements:

Condition No.	Condition
T-1	<p>Expiration and Reissuance:</p> <p>At expiration, this permit may be reissued and a renewal application sent to all facilities covered by this permit. Upon reissuance of the general permit, a renewal application must be submitted in accordance with the requirements of the reissued permit as established by ACT3-S-1 of this general permit. If any person is dissatisfied with the reissued general permit, application for an individual permit or coverage under an alternate general permit may be made in accordance with ACT3.T-3 of this permit.</p>
T-2	<p>Failure to Submit Application:</p> <p>Any person who fails to submit an application in accordance with ACT4.T-1 of this permit, unless such requirement is waived by the Department, and who operates a municipal solid waste transfer station without an individual permit or coverage under the appropriate general permit, is in violation of state law.</p>
T-3	<p>Modification:</p> <p>After issuance of a certificate of coverage under this general permit, any proposed modification to the approved application or plan of operation resulting in an expansion or other significant change in the method of waste management, must be approved by the Permit Board or designee, prior to implementation.</p>

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ACT5 Disclosure Submittal:

Submittal/Action Requirements:

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- S-1 Disclosure Statement Requirements:
- The owner of a commercial Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Station covered by this permit shall submit a disclosure statement to the Permit Board or designee as set forth in state law and regulations at any time changes are implemented within management, debt liabilities, lien holder or other required disclosure information of the permittee company or parent corporation. Submittal of updated information shall occur no later than February 28 of the following year. This permit condition does not apply to facilities owned and operated by a public entity.
- S-2 If the owner of a facility covered by this permit executes a contract with a private entity to operate the facility, the following requirements must be complied with prior to the contractor beginning operation:
1. A complete disclosure form for the contractor shall be submitted and approved as set forth in state law and regulations.
 2. A copy of the executed contract between the contractor and the owner shall be submitted to and approved by the Department. Any new contract or change in the existing contract concerning operational control of the facility shall be submitted to the Department for approval prior to execution of the new or modified contract.

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ACT6 Operating Requirements:

Narrative Requirements:

Condition No.	Condition
T-1	Facility Operations: The waste storage and transfer operations at the covered facility shall be limited to the area described within the submitted application and the approved plan of operation, unless otherwise approved by the Department.
T-2	Access to the transfer station shall be prohibited to the general public unless an attendant is on-site at all times the facility is open.
T-3	The owner or operator shall construct a wood or wire fence around the facility to prevent any windblow litter from escaping the property. The Department may grant a waiver from this permit requirement upon demonstration by the coverage recipient of another acceptable method of containing litter.
T-4	Litter shall be collected at the end of each operating day or more frequently as necessary to maintain clean working conditions.
T-5	Open burning of solid waste, except for land clearing debris generated on the site of the facility, shall be prohibited at the transfer station.
T-6	All garbage and other putrescible waste must be removed from the transfer station at least once per week or more frequently where necessary to maintain sanitary conditions at the facility.
T-7	All solid waste transported from the transfer station shall be delivered to a permitted waste disposal facility or to another facility as approved by the Department.
T-8	All solid waste shall be stored in such a manner that it does not constitute a fire, safety or health hazard or provide food or harborage for animals and vectors, and shall be contained or bundled so as not to result in litter. It shall be the responsibility of the owner or operator of the facility to utilize a storage system that will include containers of adequate size and strength, and in sufficient numbers, to contain all solid waste that is collected by the facility.
T-9	Solid waste containing putrescible materials shall be collected and transported to a disposal facility at a frequency adequate to prevent propagation and attraction of vectors and the creation of a public health nuisance.
T-10	All vehicles and equipment, over which the coverage recipient has control, used for the collection and transportation of solid wastes shall be constructed, operated and maintained to prevent loss of liquids or solid waste material, and to minimize health and safety hazards to solid waste management personnel and the public. Such transfer and collection vehicles and any other associated equipment shall be maintained in a sanitary conditions to preclude odors, prevent attraction and breeding of vectors and flies, an prevent the creation of any other threat to public health or public nuisance.

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ACT6 Operating Requirements (continued):

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T-11	Areas where solid wastes are spilled during handling and/or transportation shall be promptly cleaned and remediated.
T-12	The construction and operation of the facility shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable regulations and requirements of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources and the Mississippi Department of Archives and History.
T-13	Equipment and Systems Maintenance: The owner or operator shall at all times properly operate and maintain all equipment and systems utilized to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit, the Mississippi Nonhazardous Solid Waste Management Regulations and the approved application.
T-14	Setback Distances: 1) Enclosed transfer stations shall maintain a buffer distance of at least 50 feet between the edge of the actual transfer operations and the property line. 2) Outdoor transfer stations shall maintain a buffer distance of at least 200 feet between the edge of the actual transfer operations and the property line, except where adequate on-site screening, whether natural or artificial, will restrict the offsite view of the facility, in which case the setback shall be no less than 100 feet. 3) Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations proposed after the issuance date of this general permit shall comply with the setback distances as established by the Regulations as approved by the Commission on Environmental Quality at the time of application submittal.
T-15	Owners or operators of outdoor transfer stations shall submit a plan for the enclosure of any existing outdoor transfer station with the required renewal application. Such enclosure of the facility shall occur within 180 days of re-coverage of the transfer station facility, unless otherwise directed by the Department.
T-16	An adequate setback distance shall be maintained between the transfer station and the edge of any other solid waste management activity such that facility operations do not interfere with the operations of the other solid waste facility.

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ACT6 Operating Requirements (continued):

Narrative Requirements:

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T-17 Tipping Floor Transfer Stations:

1) All tipping floors and other related equipment shall be washed or other wise cleaned a minimum of once per day to reduce odors and to maintain sanitary working conditions.

2) All tipping floor and equipment wash water shall be collected and properly disposed of according to the applicable wastewater regulations of the Commission on Environmental Quality.

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ACT7 Recordkeeping Requirements:

Record-Keeping Requirements:

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R-1 The owner or operator shall retain operation records and other documentation associated with the transfer station on site or at a location approved by the Department for a minimum of 3 years.