

**TITLE 252. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
CHAPTER 690. WATER QUALITY STANDARDS IMPLEMENTATION**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 1. Introduction

252:690-1-3. Technical Acronyms [AMENDED]

252:690-1-4. Incorporation of USEPA regulations by reference [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The Department proposes to update the publication date of the federal rules adopted by reference from July 1, 2008, to July 1, 2009. Additionally, the proposed changes would update the incorporation by reference for 40 CFR, Parts 260 - 279, which are Department programs that generally affect Oklahoma Water Quality Standards application and implementation, as the incorporated references had become outdated. Finally, the Department proposes to modify the term "MQL" to remove the reference to EPA, Region 6 from the technical acronym.

AUTHORITY:

Environmental Quality Board powers and duties, 27A O.S., § 2-2-101; Water Quality Management Advisory Council powers and duties, 27A O.S., § 2-2-201; and Water Quality, 27A O.S., §§ 2-6-101 *et seq.*

COMMENT PERIOD:

Written comments may be submitted to the contact person from December 15, 2009, through January 18, 2010. Oral comments may be made at the Water Quality Management Advisory Council meeting on January 19, 2010, and at the Environmental Quality Board meeting on February 26, 2010.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Before the Water Quality Management Advisory Council on January 19, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Before the Environmental Quality Board on February 26, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

The DEQ requests that business entities affected by these rules provide the DEQ, within the comment period, in dollar amounts if possible, the increase in the level of direct costs such as fees, and the indirect costs such as reporting, record keeping, equipment, construction, labor, professional services, revenue loss, or other costs expected to be incurred by a particular entity due to compliance with the proposed rule.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained from the contact person, reviewed at the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, or reviewed online at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/wqdnew/index.htm>.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Copies of the rule impact statement may be obtained from the contact person or may be reviewed online at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/wqdnew/index.htm>.

CONTACT PERSON:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Persons with disabilities who desire to attend the rulemaking hearing and need an accommodation should notify the contact person three (3) days in advance of the hearing. For hearing impaired, the TDD relay number is 1-800-522-8506 or 1-800-722-0353, for TDD machine use only.