



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 1501:9-3-03 General Provisions.

Effective: January 13, 2022

(A) A person may only store, recycle, treat, process, or disposed of brine or other waste substances at a class II disposal well or at a surface facility in accordance with Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code and rules adopted under it.

(B) No person may allow brine or other waste substances at a class II disposal well or at a surface facility to migrate into an underground source of drinking water.

(C) No person may inject brine and other waste substances or allow brine and other waste substances to migrate into an underground formation that is not approved for injection in the permit issued by the division.

(D) If any process occurs at a surface facility other than storage, settling in a tank, or filtration, the facility is an oil gas waste facility. If a surface facility is modified or is proposed to be modified to include any process other than storage, settling in a tank, or filtration or is connected to an oil and gas waste facility regulated under section 1509.22 of the Revised Code, the person operating the surface facility must obtain an chief's order to operate an oil and gas waste facility. A surface facility not directly connected to a class II disposal well is an oil and gas waste facility.

(E) A person may only inject brine and other waste substances into a class II disposal well if a permit to inject has been issued by the chief. In order to evaluate a well for the potential for injection, a person may submit in writing to the chief a plan requesting authorization to inject for a period not to exceed forty-eight hours. The chief will review the plan and either accept or reject it in writing. If the chief accepts the plan, the chief may specify any terms or conditions that apply to the test.

(F) Surface facility

(1) If after the effective date of this rule, a surface facility is proposed to be amended so that the



resulting total nominal storage volume is twelve thousand one barrels or greater, the person operating the surface facility must apply for a permit to operate as an oil and gas waste facility, however only the amended portion must meet the oil and gas waste facility standards.

(2) A surface facility with a total nominal storage volume of twelve thousand one barrels or greater in operation on the effective date of this rule may continue to operate without an oil and gas waste facility permit, unless the facility is proposed to be amended, then paragraph (F)(1) of this rule would apply.