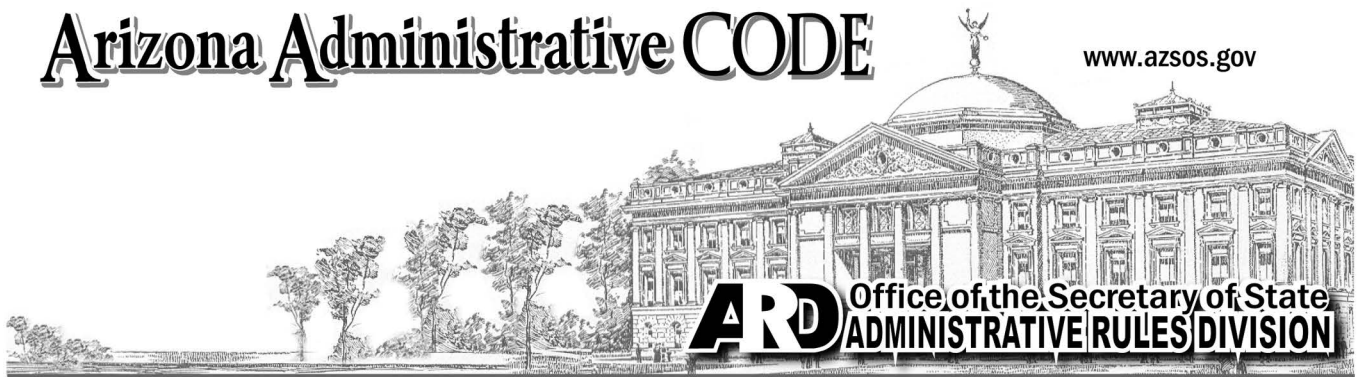


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ARTICLE 1. WATER QUALITY PROTECTION FEES**R18-14-101. Definitions**

1. "APP" No Change
2. "AWP" means Advanced Water Purification.
3. "Complex modification" means:
 - a. A revision of an individual Aquifer Protection Permit for a facility within a mining sector as defined in A.R.S. § 49-241.02(F)(1); and
 - b. A revision of an individual Aquifer Protection Permit for a facility within a non-mining sector due to any of the following:
 - i. An expansion of an existing pollutant management area requiring a new or relocated point of compliance;
 - ii. A new subsurface disposal including injection or recharge, or new wetlands construction;
 - iii. Submission of data indicating contamination, or identification of a discharging facility or pollutants not included in previous applications that requires reevaluation of BADCT; or
 - iv. Closure of a facility that cannot meet the clean closure requirements of A.R.S. § 49-252 and requires post-closure care, monitoring, or remediation.
4. "Courtesy review" means a design review service that the Department performs within 30 days from the date of receiving the submittals, of the 60 percent completion specifications, design report, and construction drawings for a sewage collection system.
5. "Priority review" means a design review service for an APP Type 4 permit application that the Department completes using not more than 50 percent of the total review time-frame for the applicable Type 4 permit application as specified in 18 A.A.C. 1, Table 10.
6. "Request" means a written application, notice, letter, or memorandum submitted by an applicant to the Department for water quality protection services. The Department considers a request made on the date it is received by the Department.
7. "Review hours" means the hours or portions of hours that the Department's staff spends on a request for a water quality protection service. Review hours include the time spent by the project manager and technical review team members, and if requested by the applicant, the supervisor or unit manager.
8. "Review-related costs" means any of the following costs applicable to a specific request for water quality protection service:
 - a. Presiding officer services for public hearings on a permitting decision,
 - b. Court reporter services for public hearings on a permitting decision,
 - c. Facility rentals for public hearings on a permitting decision,
 - d. Charges for laboratory analyses performed during the review, and
 - e. Other reasonable and necessary review-related expenses documented in writing.
9. "Standard modification" means an amendment to an individual Aquifer Protection Permit that is not a complex modification.
10. "UIC" means Arizona's Underground Injection Control Program.
11. "Water quality protection service" means:
 - a. Reviewing a request for an APP determination of applicability;
 - b. Pre-application consultation, issuing, renewing, amending, modifying, transferring, or denying an aquifer protection permit, an AWP permit, an AWP demonstration permit, an AZPDES permit, a UIC permit, a UIC application for an aquifer exemption or an injection depth waiver or a reclaimed water permit;
 - c. Reviewing supplemental information required by a permit condition, including annual reports and closure for an APP;
 - d. Performing an APP clean closure plan review;
 - e. Issuing or denying a Certificate of Approval for Sanitary Facilities for a Subdivision;
 - f. Registering or transferring registration of a dry well;
 - g. Conducting a site visit;
 - h. Reviewing proprietary and other reviewed products under A.A.C. R18-9-A309(E);
 - i. Reviewing, processing, and managing documentation related to an AZPDES general permit, including a notice of intent, notice of termination, certificate of no exposure, and waiver;
 - j. Registering and reporting land application of biosolids; or
 - k. Pretreatment program review, inspection, or audit.
 - l. Reviewing and commenting on AWP permit and demonstration permit materials, including but not limited to, materials submitted to the Department pursuant to A.A.C. R18-9-C814, A.A.C. R18-9-C815, and A.A.C. R18-9-F835.

Historical Note

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R18-14-102. Hourly Rate and Maximum Fees for Water Quality Protection Services

- A. The Department shall assess and collect an hourly rate fee for a water quality protection service, except for APP minor permit amendments specified under A.A.C. R18-9-A211(C)(1), (2) and (3) and A.A.C. R18-9-B906(B), unless a flat fee is otherwise designated in this Article, and UIC minor modifications specified under A.A.C. R18-9-C633(A).
- B. Hourly rate fees. The Department shall calculate the fee using an hourly rate of \$174, adjusted annually under subsection (D), except for the UIC program, where the Department shall calculate the fee using an hourly rate of \$145, and the AWP program, where the Department shall calculate the fee using an hourly rate of \$223, both adjusted annually under subsection (D). These rates shall then be multiplied by the number of review hours to provide a water quality protection service, plus any applicable review-related costs, up to the maximum fee specified in subsection (C), adjusted annually under subsection (D).

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- C. Maximum fees for a water quality protection service assessed at an hourly rate in Table 1, adjusted annually under subsection (D).
- D. The Director shall adjust the hourly rate and maximum fees listed in subsections (B) and (C) every August 1 to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the hourly rate or maximum fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

Historical Note

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Table 1. Maximum Fees

Program Area	Permit Type	Maximum Fee
APP	Individual or area-wide	\$285,400
APP	Complex modification to individual or area-wide	\$214,050
APP	Clean closure of facility	\$71,350
APP	Standard modification to individual or area-wide (per modification up to the maximum fee, and modification can be re-assigned under A.A.C. R18-1-516):	
	• Maximum fee (cumulative per submittal)	\$214,050
	• Modification under A.A.C. R18-9-A211(C)(1) through (3)	No fee
	• Modification under A.A.C. R18-9-A211(C)(4) through (6)	\$7,135
	• Modification under A.A.C. R18-9-A211(C)(7), (D)(2)(b) through (i), and (k) through (l)	\$21,405
	• Modification under A.A.C. R18-9-A211(D)(2)(a) and (j)	\$35,675
	• Modification under A.A.C. R18-9-A211(B) that is not classified as complex modification under R18-14-101(2)	\$35,675
APP	For an APP issued before July 1, 2011, the fee for a submittal required by a compliance schedule is assessed per submittal and cumulative up to the maximum fee. The applicable maximum fee for all compliance schedule submissions shall be according to one of the three maximum fee categories listed below. The maximum fee is for the lifetime of the APP unless a new compliance schedule is established in the APP due to a modification that is classified as both a significant amendment under A.A.C. R18-9-A211(B) and a complex modification under R18-14-101(2).	
	• For a permit with a compliance schedule where one or more submissions require a permit modification that requires a determination or reevaluation of BADCT, the fee is assessed as described above for each standard modification, with a maximum fee for the permit's entire compliance schedule of:	\$214,050
	• For a permit with a compliance schedule where one or more submissions require a permit modification, but no determination or reevaluation of BADCT is required, the fee is assessed as described above for each standard modification, with a maximum fee for the permit's entire compliance schedule of:	\$142,700
	• For a permit with a compliance schedule requiring one or more submissions that require ADEQ review but do not require a permit modification, the maximum fee for the permit's entire compliance schedule is:	\$142,700
APP	For an APP issued on or after July 1, 2011, the fee for a submittal required by a compliance schedule is assessed per submittal and cumulative up to the maximum fee for the lifetime of the APP	\$142,700
APP	Determination of applicability	\$21,405
APP	Reviewing proprietary and other reviewed products under A.A.C. R18-9-A309(E)	\$21,405
AZPDES	Individual permit for municipal separate storm sewer system	\$57,080
AZPDES	Individual permit for wastewater treatment plant (based on gallons of discharge per day)	
	• 3,000 to 99,999	\$21,405
	• 100,000 to 999,999	\$28,540
	• 1,000,000 to 9,999,999	\$42,810
	• 10,000,000 or more	\$71,350
AZPDES	Individual permit for a facility or activity that is not a wastewater treatment plant or a municipal separate storm sewer	\$42,810
AZPDES	Amendment to an individual permit	\$17,838
AZPDES	Approval of a new or revised pretreatment program under AZPDES	\$14,270
AZPDES	Consolidated individual permit for multiple AZPDES individual permits, as allowed under A.A.C. R18-9-B901(C)	Aggregate of the applicable maximum fees
Reclaimed	Reclaimed water individual permit	\$45,664
UIC	Area	\$200,000
	Area Modification / Renewal	\$150,000
UIC	Classes I, II, III, V Individual	\$200,000
	Classes I, II, III, V Modification / Renewal	\$150,000
UIC	Classes VI Individual	No Max.
	Classes VI Modification	No Max.
AWP	Permit	No Max.
AWP	Demonstration Permit	No Max.
AWP	Significant Amendment / Renewal	No Max.
AWP	Demonstration Permit Significant Amendment / Renewal	No Max.

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Table 1 adopted by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1). Table 1 repealed; new Table 1 adopted by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3). Amended by final rulemaking at 31 A.A.R. 1161 (April 4, 2025), with an immediate effective date of March 4, 2025 (Supp. 25-1).

R18-14-103. Initial Fees

A person shall submit the applicable fee at the time a request for a water quality protection service is submitted to the Department.

Historical Note

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Amended by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1). Amended by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-104. Annual Fees for Water Quality Protection Services Subject to Hourly Rate Fee

- A. Annual Registration Fees. The annual registration fee required under A.R.S. § 49-242 is in Table 2, adjusted annually under subsection (F).
- B. The Department shall assess an annual fee for an AZPDES related water quality protection service subject to an hourly rate fee as listed in Table 3, adjusted annually under subsection (F).
- C. The Department shall assess an annual fee of \$714, adjusted annually under subsection (F) for an individual reclaimed water permit.
- D. The Department shall assess an annual fee and an annual waste disposal fee as applicable to UIC regulated facilities, subject to an hourly rate fee, as listed in Tables 3.1 and 3.2, adjusted annually under subsection (F).

- E. The Department shall assess an annual fee of \$101,250, adjusted annually under subsection (F), for AWP permits and for AWP Demonstration permits.
- F. The Director shall adjust the annual fees listed in subsections (A), (B), (C), (D), and (E) every August 1, to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the annual fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

Historical Note

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Table 2. APP Annual Registration Fees

Discharge or Influent per Day under the Individual APP or Notice of Disposal (in Gallons)	Annual Registration Fee	Annual Registration Fee if New Facility Under New APP Not Yet Constructed
3,000 to 9,999	\$714	\$357
10,000 to 99,999	\$1,427	\$357
100,000 to 999,999	\$3,568	\$714
1,000,000 to 9,999,999	\$8,562	\$892
10,000,000 or more	\$12,130	\$1,070

Historical Note

Table 2 made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

Table 3. AZPDES Annual Fees

Permit Type	Annual Fee	Annual Fee if New Facility Under New AZPDES Not Yet Constructed
Municipal separate storm sewer system	\$14,270	N/A
Wastewater treatment plant (based on gallons of discharge per day):		
▪ Less than 99,999	\$357	\$357
▪ 100,000 to 999,999	\$714	\$714
▪ 1,000,000 to 9,999,999	\$3,568	\$892
▪ 10,000,000 or more	\$5,708	\$1,070
Facility or activity that is not a wastewater treatment plant or municipal separate storm sewer and designated in the permit as either:		
Major	\$3,568	\$892
Minor	\$714	\$714
Pretreatment program	\$4,281	N/A
Consolidated individual permit for multiple AZPDES individual permits, as allowed under A.A.C. R18-9-B901(C)	Aggregate of the applicable annual fees of each individual permit	Aggregate of the applicable annual fees of each individual permit

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Historical Note

Table 3 made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

Table 3.1. UIC Annual Fees

Permit Type	Annual Registration Fee	Annual Waste Disposal Fee
Area	\$10,000 (and not subject to any other annual registration fee in Tables 3.1 and 3.2)	N/A
Class I	No Annual Registration Fee	\$0.002/gallon. Minimum Fee: \$10,000/year Maximum Fee: \$25,000/year
Class II	See Table 3.2	N/A
Class III	See Table 3.2	N/A
Class V "Individual"	See Table 3.2	N/A
Class VI	No Annual Registration Fee	\$0.08/ton Minimum Fee: \$10,000/year

Historical Note

Table 3.1 made by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3).

Table 3.2. UIC Annual Registration Fees

Design Injection Flow Rate in Gallons per day ^{1, 2}	Annual Registration Fee
3,000 to 9,999	\$600
10,000 to 99,999	\$1,200
100,000 to 999,999	\$3,000
1,000,000 to 9,999,999	\$7,000
10,000,000 or more	\$10,000

¹ A Class II, III or V Individual UIC permittee with multiple wells or multiple permits may consolidate their same-class wells for the purpose of "design injection flow rate in gallons per day" under Table 3.2.

² An Area permit is not subject to Table 3.2.

Historical Note

Table 3.2 made by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3).

Schedule A. Repealed**Historical Note**

Schedule A adopted effective November 15, 1996 (Supp. 96-4). Schedule repealed by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1).

Schedule B. Repealed**Historical Note**

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Schedule C. Repealed**Historical Note**

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Schedule D. Repealed**Historical Note**

Schedule D adopted effective November 15, 1996 (Supp. 96-4). Schedule repealed by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1).

R18-14-105. Fee Assessment and Collection

A. Billing. The Department shall bill an applicant for water quality protection services subject to an hourly rate no more than monthly, but at least quarterly. The following information shall be included in each bill:

1. The dates of the billing period;

2. The date and number of review hours itemized by employee name, position type and specifically describing:

- a. Each water quality protection service performed,
- b. Each facility involved and program component, and
- c. The hourly rate for each water quality protection service performed;

3. A description and amount of each review-related cost incurred for the project;

4. The total fees due for the billing period, and the date when the fees are due, which shall be at least 35 days after the date on the bill. The total fees paid to date and the maximum fee for the project shall be provided upon request.

- B. Final bill. After the Department makes a final determination whether to grant or deny a request for water quality protection services subject to an hourly rate fee, or when an applicant withdraws or closes the request, the Department shall prepare a final itemized bill of its review.

1. Fees for water quality protection services shall be paid in U.S. dollars by cash, check, cashier's check, money order, or any other method acceptable to the Department.
2. The Department shall not release the final permit or approval until the final itemized bill is paid in full.

Historical Note

Adopted effective November 15, 1996 (Supp. 96-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1). Amended by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R.

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1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-106. Reconsideration of a Bill; Appeal Process

- A. A person may seek review of a bill by filing a written request for reconsideration with the Director.
1. The request shall specify, in detail, why the bill is in dispute and shall include any supporting documentation.
 2. The written request for reconsideration shall be delivered to the Director in person, by mail, or by facsimile on or before the payment due date or within 35 days of the invoice print date, whichever is greater.
- B. The Director shall make a final decision on the request for reconsideration of the bill and mail a final written decision to the person within 20 working days after the date the Director receives the written request.

Historical Note

Adopted effective November 15, 1996 (Supp. 96-4).
Amended by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1).

R18-14-107. Effect on County Fees

Nothing in this Chapter affects the authority of county or other local governments to charge fees for implementing delegated Department water quality protection programs in accordance with statutory authority.

Historical Note

Adopted effective November 15, 1996 (Supp. 96-4).
Amended by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1).

R18-14-108. APP Water Quality Protection Services Flat Fees

- A. The Department shall assess a flat fee for an APP water quality protection service listed in this Section.

- B. Type 1 General Permits. No fee is required, except as stated in A.A.C. R18-9-A304(A)(2).
- C. Fees for Type 2 and Type 3 General Permits and related water quality protection services are listed in Table 4, adjusted annually under subsection (E). For purposes of this Section, “complex” is defined in A.A.C. R18-1-501(9). “Standard” means any permit that does not meet the definition of complex.
- D. Fees for Type 4 General Permits and related water quality protection services are listed in Table 5, adjusted annually under subsection (E).
- E. The Director shall adjust the APP water quality protection services flat fees listed in subsections (C) and (D) every August 1, to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the APP water quality protection services flat fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

Historical Note

Adopted effective November 15, 1996 (Supp. 96-4). Section repealed by final rulemaking at 7 A.A.R. 564, effective January 2, 2001 (Supp. 01-1). New Section made by exempt rulemaking at 16 A.A.R. 851, effective July 1, 2010 (Supp. 10-2). Amended by exempt rulemaking at 16 A.A.R. 1505, effective July 1, 2010 (Supp. 10-3). Amended by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Tables 4 and 5 removed from this Section to conform with the A.A.C. codification scheme; amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

Table 4. Type 2 and 3 General Permit Fees

Permit Description	Permit Fee	Renewal Fee
Standard Type 2: 2.01, 2.03, 2.04, 2.05, and 2.06	\$2,141	\$714
Complex Type 2: 2.02	\$4,281	\$1,427
Standard Type 3: 3.02, 3.03, 3.05, 3.06, and 3.07	\$6,422	\$2,141
Complex Type 3: 3.01 and 3.04	\$10,703	\$3,568
Amendment to Notice of Intent	Same as applicable renewal fee	N/A
Transfer of permit authorization	\$71	N/A
If a site contains more than one facility covered by the same Type 2 or Type 3 General Permit and each facility is substantially similar in design, construction, and operation, the first facility is paid at the full applicable fee, and each additional facility is:	Half the applicable fee	Half the applicable fee

Historical Note

Table 4 made when R18-14-108 was amended by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 in Supp. 11-2. Table 4 was removed from R18-14-108 in Supp. 23-3 to conform with the A.A.C. codification scheme; Table 4 amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

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Table 5. Type 4 General Permit Fees

Water Quality Protection Service	Description	Permit Fee
4.01 General Permit: Sewage Collection Systems	Under each Notice of Intent to Discharge, the fee is assessed on a per-component basis for the components listed below and is assessed cumulatively up to the maximum fee:	
	▪ Maximum fee	\$35,675
	▪ Force mains with design flow less than or equal to 10,000 gpd	\$1,427
	▪ Each additional increment of 50,000 gpd or less of force mains	\$1,427
	▪ Gravity sewer with design flow less than or equal to 10,000 gpd	\$1,427
	▪ Each additional increment of 50,000 gpd or less of gravity sewer	\$1,427
	▪ Each sewer lift station	\$1,427
	▪ Each depressed sewer	\$1,427
	▪ Realignment of existing sewer for a contiguous project that is less than 300 linear feet with no change in design flow or pipe size	\$714
4.01 General Permit courtesy review	If an applicant requests courtesy review, the Department shall approve or deny the request. When determining whether to approve a courtesy review request, the Department shall consider the complexity of the project and the Department's current work load	One-third applicable fee upon submittal, then balance of fee if Notice of Intent to Discharge is submitted with final documentation within 180 days of first submittal
4.23 General Permit: 3,000 to less than 24,000 Gallons per day Design Flow	▪ Onsite wastewater treatment facility with up to: • Three treatment technologies and disposal methods consisting of technologies or designs that are covered under other Type 4 general permits; and • Two onsite wastewater treatment facilities	\$5,137
	▪ Maximum fee (cumulative)	\$10,703
	▪ Each additional onsite wastewater treatment facility on same Notice of Intent to Discharge up to maximum fee	\$1,712
	▪ Each additional treatment technology or disposal method consisting of technologies or designs that are covered under other Type 4 general permits on same Notice of Intent to Discharge up to maximum fee	\$714
4.23 General Permit annual report	Annual report required under A.A.C. R18-9-E323(G)	\$285
Type 4 General Permits (4.02 through 4.22)	▪ Maximum fee	\$5,280
	▪ First Type 4 general permit	\$1,712
	▪ Each additional Type 4 general permit on same Notice of Intent to Discharge	\$714
Alternative Design under A.A.C. R18-9-A312(G)	A request for an alternative design, installation, or operational feature, per alternative design:	
	▪ Type 4.01 general permit	\$1,070
	▪ All other Type 4 general permits	\$357
Interceptor under A.A.C. R18-9-A315	A design requiring an interceptor (per interceptor)	\$143
Transfer	Transfer of discharge authorization	\$71
Priority Review	If an applicant requests priority review, the Department shall approve or deny the request. When determining whether to approve a priority review request, the Department shall consider the complexity of the project and the Department's current work load.	Double the Applicable Fee (including any applicable maximum fee)

Historical Note

Table 5 made when R18-14-108 was amended by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 in Supp. 11-2. Table 5 was removed from R18-14-108 in Supp. 23-3 to conform with the A.A.C. codification scheme; Table 5 amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-109. AZPDES Water Quality Protection Services Flat Fees

- A.** The Department shall assess a flat fee for an AZPDES water quality protection service, as described in Table 6, adjusted annually under subsection (D).
- B.** In addition to the requirements in A.A.C. R18-9-A907(B), a draft permit will state the category and fee assigned to the permit and the factors for establishing the fee, according to Table

6. Any person may comment on the fee category assignment as part of the public comment period described in A.A.C. R18-9-A908.

- C.** Annual Fee. The Department shall bill an annual fee, as described in Table 6, adjusted annually under subsection (D), to permittees who have not filed a notice of termination for an applicable general permit.

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- D.** The Director shall adjust the AZPDES water quality protection services flat fees listed in subsections (C) and (D) every August 1, to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the AZPDES water quality protection services flat fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items

published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

Historical Note

New Section made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Table 6 removed from this Section to conform with the A.A.C. codification scheme; amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

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Table 6. AZPDES Water Quality Protection Services Flat Fees

Category	Factors for Establishing Fees	Initial Fee	Annual Fee
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System General Permit	The fee is based on the population of the permitted area:		
	▪ Less than or equal to 10,000	\$3,568	\$3,568
	▪ Greater than 10,000 but less than or equal to 100,000	\$7,135	\$7,135
	▪ Greater than 100,000	\$10,703	\$10,703
	The fee for a non-traditional municipal separate storm sewer system, such as a hospital, college or military facility	\$7,135	\$7,135
Construction General Permit	The fee is based on the amount of acreage identified in the Notice of Intent:		
	▪ Less than or equal to 1 acre	\$357	\$357
	▪ Greater than 1 acre but less than or equal to 50 acres	\$499	\$499
	▪ Greater than 50 acres	\$714	\$714
	Pollution prevention plan review	\$1,427	N/A
	▪ Each additional submittal due to deficiency	\$714	N/A
	Waiver	\$1,070	N/A
	If more than one person must apply for general permit coverage of the same facility or discharge activity, each person pays:	Fee applicable to the amount of acreage each person controls	Fee applicable to the amount of acreage each person controls
Multi-Sector General Permit	The fee is based on the amount of acreage identified in the Notice of Intent:		
	▪ Less than or equal to 1 acre	\$499	\$499
	▪ Greater than 1 acre but less than or equal to 40 acres	\$714	\$714
	▪ Greater than 40 acres	\$1,427	\$1,427
	Pollution prevention plan review	\$1,427	N/A
	▪ Each additional submittal due to deficiency	\$714	N/A
	Certificate of No Exposure	\$1,784	N/A
	If more than one person must apply for general permit coverage of the same facility or discharge activity, each person pays:	Fee applicable to the amount of acreage each person controls	Fee applicable to the amount of acreage each person controls
General Permits for Non-Stormwater Discharges	The fee is based on the Department's total anticipated staff hours (including permit development, customer service, review of the notice of intent, and annual data review and inspections) divided by the total number of potential permittees over a five-year period:		
	▪ Level 1A	\$357	\$357
	• Staff hours:	1,500	
	• Number of potential permittees:	750	
	▪ Level 1B	\$714	\$714
	• Staff hours:	1,500	
	• Number of potential permittees:	375	
	▪ Level 2	\$1,784	\$1,784
	• Staff hours:	1,000	
	• Number of potential permittees:	100	
	▪ Level 3	\$2,141	\$2,141
	• Staff hours:	1,300	
	• Number of potential permittees:	100	
	▪ Level 4A	\$2,854	\$2,854
	• Staff hours:	1,600	
	• Number of potential permittees:	100	
	▪ Level 4B	\$3,568	\$3,568
	• Staff hours:	1,900	
	• Number of potential permittees:	100	
	Pollution prevention plan review	\$1,427	N/A
	▪ Each additional submittal due to deficiency	\$714	N/A
Emergency Discharge General Permit	Authorization for emergency discharge	\$14,270	N/A
Transfer	Authorization for permit transfer as allowed under A.A.C. R18-9-B905	\$71	N/A

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Biosolids Land Applicators	Initial registration	\$714	N/A
	Registration amendment	\$357	N/A
	Annual report based on amount of dry metric tons applied		
	▪ Less than or equal to 7,500 dry metric tons	N/A	\$3,568
	▪ Greater than 7,500 dry metric tons but less than or equal to 15,000 dry metric tons	N/A	\$4,281
	▪ Greater than 15,000 dry metric tons	N/A	\$6,422

Historical Note

Table 6 made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Table 6 was removed from R18-14-109 in Supp. 23-3 to conform with the A.A.C. codification scheme; Table 6 amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-110. Reclaimed Water Flat Fees

- A.** The Department shall assess a flat fee for a reclaimed water quality protection service as listed in Table 7, adjusted annually under subsection (B). For purposes of this Section, “complex” is defined in A.A.C. R18-1-501(9). “Standard” means any permit that does not meet the definition of complex.
- B.** The Director shall adjust the reclaimed water quality protection services flat fees listed in subsections (A) every August 1, to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the reclaimed water quality protection services flat fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

Historical Note

New Section made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

Table 7. Reclaimed Water General Permit Fees

Permit Description	Permit Fee	Renewal Fee
Standard Type 2: Class A, A+, B, and B+	\$856	\$642
Complex Type 2: Class C	\$1,070	\$821
Standard Type 3: Reclaimed Water Agent, Reclaimed Water Blending Facility	\$2,141	\$1,784
Complex Type 3: Gray Water	\$2,854	\$2,141
Amendment to Notice of Intent	Same as applicable renewal fee	N/A
Transfer of permit authorization	\$71	N/A

Historical Note

New Table 7 made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-111. UIC Flat Fees

- A.** The Department shall assess a flat fee for the following UIC regulated facility services, adjusted annually under subsection (B):
- Well installation in an Area Permit, \$200 per well installation.
 - Class V authorization by rule, \$200 per well inventory.
 - Class V authorization by rule, \$100 per well transfer.
- B.** The Director shall adjust the UIC regulated facility services flat fees listed in subsections (A) every August 1, to the near-

est \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the UIC regulated facility services flat fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

Historical Note

New Section made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Section R18-14-111 renumbered to R18-14-112; new R18-14-111 made by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-112. Other Flat Fees

Flat fees. The Department shall assess a flat fee for the following water quality protection services:

- Certificate of Approval for Sanitary Facilities for Subdivisions.
 - Subdivision with public sewerage system: \$1,142, adjusted annually under subsection (2), for every increment of 150 lots or less;
 - Subdivision with individual sewerage system:
 - \$714, adjusted annually under subsection (2), for less than 10 lots;
 - \$1,427, adjusted annually under subsection (2), for greater than 10 lots but less than 50 lots;
 - \$1,427, adjusted annually under subsection (2), for each additional increment of 50 lots or less.
 - If water from a central system is not provided to the lot, the fee is one and one-half the applicable fee stated in subsection (3)(a) or (b).
 - Condominium subdivision: \$1,427, adjusted annually under subsection (2), for every increment of 150 units or less.
- The Director shall adjust the water quality protection services flat fees listed in subsections (1) every August 1, to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the water quality protection services flat fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

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New Section made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Section R18-14-112 renumbered to R18-14-113; new R18-14-112 renumbered from R18-14-111 and amended by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-113. Implementation

The fees in this Article apply on July 1, 2011. For fees related to the AZPDES program:

1. A person shall submit the applicable fee when requesting a water quality protection service as specified in an AZPDES General Permit or in 18 A.A.C. 9, Article 9; and
2. A person is responsible for paying the annual fee for an AZPDES general permit, even if the person filed for coverage before the effective date of these rules.

Historical Note

New Section made by final rulemaking at 17 A.A.R. 568, effective July 1, 2011 (Supp. 11-2). Section R18-14-113 renumbered to R18-14-114; new R18-14-113 renumbered from R18-14-112 by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3).

R18-14-114. Annual Report

By December 1 of each year, the Department shall publish an accounting of Water Quality Fee Fund revenue and expenditure activity for the prior fiscal year.

Historical Note

New Section R18-14-114 renumbered from R18-14-113 by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3).

R18-14-115. UIC Fees Review

The Department shall review the revenues derived from the implementation of the UIC program from the date of primacy through June 30, 2025. By September 30, 2025, the Department shall determine the adequacy of the fees in comparison to the relevant data from the time period. The Department shall repeat the review every three years based on the initial review date of June 30, 2025.

Historical Note

New Section R18-14-115 made by final rulemaking at 28 A.A.R. 1811 (July 29, 2022), effective September 6, 2022 (Supp. 22-3).

ARTICLE 2. PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM - DESIGN REVIEW FEES**R18-14-201. Definitions**

In addition to the definitions in A.A.C. R18-1-501, and 18 A.A.C. 4, the following terms apply to this Article:

“Design review” means the process for reviewing an application for an Approval to Construct as prescribed in A.A.C. R18-5-505(B).

“Design review service” means all activities related to processing an application for an Approval to Construct, including reviewing, approving, or denying an application, conducting a pre-application meeting or site visit, or other activity required to review an Approval to Construct application.

“Distribution system” has the same meaning prescribed in A.A.C. R18-5-101.

“Priority Review” means a design review service where a license application is reviewed using not more than 50% of the total review time-frame for an Approval to Construct license application.

“Public water system” has the same meaning prescribed in A.R.S. § 49-352(B).

“Licensing time-frame” means a period of time described and defined in A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 7.1, and 18 A.A.C. 1, Article 5.

“Water treatment plant” has the same meaning prescribed in A.A.C. R18-5-101.

Historical Note

Section made by final rulemaking at 14 A.A.R. 4102, effective December 6, 2008 (Supp. 08-4).

R18-14-202. Flat Rate Fees

- A. The Department shall assess and collect a flat rate fee for design review services for public water systems.
- B. Design criteria for public water systems are specified in 18 A.A.C. 4 and 18 A.A.C. 5.
- C. An applicant shall submit public water system design review fees with an application for an Approval to Construct, as specified in 18 A.A.C. 5, Article 5.
- D. The flat rate fees for a design review service:
 1. Are established in Table 1, adjusted annually under subsection (I), are assessed on a per-unit basis where applicable, and are cumulative unless otherwise specified in this Article;
 2. Shall be paid by cash, check, cashier’s check, money order, or any other method acceptable to the Department; and
 3. Shall be paid in full before the Department issues approval of an application.
- E. The Department shall refund 50 percent of the application fee paid by an applicant if, during the administrative completeness review time-frame period, the applicant:
 1. Fails to respond in a reasonably timely manner, as set forth in A.A.C. R18-1-507, to a notice of administrative deficiencies requesting additional information under A.A.C. R18-1-503, and the Department denies the application; or
 2. Withdraws the application.
- F. If an application is denied under A.A.C. R18-1-507 after the end of the administrative completeness review time-frame, the Department shall retain the flat fee paid by the applicant.
- G. If an applicant requests priority review, the Department shall approve or deny the request. When determining whether to approve a priority review request, the Department shall consider the complexity of the project and the Department’s current work load. If priority review is approved by the Department, the applicant shall pay the priority review fee specified in Table 1, adjusted annually under subsection (I).
- H. State agencies are exempt from all fees imposed under this Article pursuant to A.R.S. § 49-353(A)(2)(b).
- I. The Director shall adjust the design review services fees listed in Table 1 every August 1, to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the design review services fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

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Historical Note

Section made by final rulemaking at 14 A.A.R. 4102, effective December 6, 2008 (Supp. 08-4). Amended by

final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

Table 1. Design Review Service Fees

Public Water System Design Review Application Types	Fees ^{1, 2}
Approval to Construct Public Water Supply Distribution System:	
• 150 or fewer service connections	\$1,284
• 151 to 300 service connections	\$1,998
• 301 to 450 service connections	\$2,711
• 451 to 600 service connections	\$3,425
• 601 to 750 service connections	\$4,138
• Each additional 150 service connections	Add \$714
Water Treatment Plants and Blending Plans (including new source approval if applicable):	
• < 0.1 mgd	\$2,141
• ≥ 0.1 mgd and < 1 mgd	\$2,854
• ≥ 1 mgd and < 5 mgd	\$4,281
• ≥ 5 mgd	\$7,135
Well (including new source approval if applicable)	\$1,784
Storage Tank	\$1,142
Booster Pump	\$1,142
Main Line Extension	\$357
Chlorinators/Disinfection Devices	\$357
Extension of Time to Construct ³	50% of the application fee, not to exceed \$714
Priority Review Fee ⁴	Double the Standard Fee

¹Fees are calculated on a per-unit basis; i.e., a separate fee is assessed for each separate storage tank, booster pump, disinfection device, or main line extension.

²Fees for each application type are cumulative; an applicant must pay the total of all pertinent fees.

³Extensions of time to construct are issued pursuant to A.A.C. R18-5-505(E); the Section states that an Approval to Construct becomes void if construction is not commenced or completed within a specified time period, unless the Department grants an extension of time.

⁴Priority Review Projects require Department authorization prior to filing.

Historical Note

Table 1, Design Review Service Fees, made by final rulemaking at 14 A.A.R. 4102, effective December 6, 2008 (Supp. 08-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

ARTICLE 3. CERTIFIED OPERATOR FEES**R18-14-301. Certified Operator Fees**

- A. Definition terms from A.A.C. R18-5-101 apply to this Article.
- B. The Department shall assess and collect a flat rate fee for a certification or renewal under the operator certification program.
- C. A person shall submit the applicable fee when requesting a certification or renewal under 18 A.A.C. 5, Article 1, as described below:
 1. An applicant that seeks new certification shall submit a \$87 fee, adjusted annually under subsection (D), per certification.
 2. An operator that has not held a lower grade level for the required amount of time requests the Department's determination on experience and education in order to be admitted to a higher grade certification examination shall submit a fee of \$201, adjusted annually under subsection (D), per application.
 3. An applicant that requests a certificate based on reciprocity with another jurisdiction shall submit a fee of \$334, adjusted annually under subsection (D), per application.
 4. An operator submitting a certificate renewal shall submit a \$201, adjusted annually under subsection (D), fee for each certificate. If the operator has multiple certificates, the first certificate is \$201, adjusted annually under sub-

section (D), and each additional certificate with the same expiration date is \$67, adjusted annually under subsection (D).

- D. The Director shall adjust the certification or renewal fees listed in subsection (C) every August 1, to the nearest \$10, beginning August 4, 2023, by multiplying the certification or renewal fee by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the most recent year, and then dividing by the CPI for the year 2023. The CPI for any year is the average of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ, all items published by the United States Department of Labor, as of the close of the 12-month period ending on June 30 of that year.

Historical Note

New Section made by final rulemaking at 21 A.A.R. 2597, effective July 1, 2016 (Supp. 15-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 29 A.A.R. 1869 (August 25, 2023), with an immediate effective date of August 4, 2023 (Supp. 23-3).

R18-14-302. Fee Assessment and Collection

- A. Fees for certification or renewal shall be paid in U.S. dollars by cash, check, cashier's check, money order, or any other method acceptable to the Department.
- B. The Department shall not accept a request for a certification or renewal without the appropriate fee.

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- C. If the Department does not accept an operator certificate renewal form, required according to A.A.C. R18-5-107(B), the certificate expires for failure to renew according to A.A.C. R18-5-108.

Historical Note

New Section made by final rulemaking at 21 A.A.R.

2597, effective July 1, 2016 (Supp. 15-4).

R18-14-303. Implementation

The fees in this Article apply to any application for a certification or renewal that is submitted on or after July 1, 2016.

Historical Note

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2597, effective July 1, 2016 (Supp. 15-4).