# DISCHARGE STANDARDS & SEWERAGE ACT

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### WASTEWATER QUALITY STANDARDS

# **Environmental Quality (Sewage) Regulations** 2009:

- Sets standards for new sewage treatment system and existing sewage treatment system (approved before and after January 1999)
- Standard A and Standard B

## ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT 1974



# ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (SEWAGE) REGULATIONS 2009





## New Sewage Treatment System

	Parameter	Unit	Standard A	Standard B
(a)	Temperature	С	40	40
(b)	pH value	-	6.0-9.0	5.5-9.0
(c)	BOD <sub>5</sub> @ 20°C	mg/L	20	50
(d)	COD	mg/L	120	200
(e)	Suspended Solids	mg/L	50	100
(f)	Oil & Grease	mg/L	5.0	10.0
(g)	Amm.Nitrogen (enc. water body)	mg/L	5.0	5.0
(h)	Amm. Nitrogen (river)	mg/L	10.0	20.0
(i)	Nitrate-N (river)	mg/L	20.0	50.0
(j)	Nitrate-N(enc. water body)	mg/L	10.0	10.0
(k)	Phosphorous (enc. water body)	mg/L	5.0	10.0

## Existing Sewage Treatment System (approved after January 1999)

	Parameter	Unit	Standard A	Standard B
(a)	BOD <sub>5</sub> @ 20°C	mg/L	20	50
(b)	COD	mg/L	120	200
(c)	Suspended Solids	mg/L	50	100
(d)	Oil & Grease	mg/L	20	20
(e)	Ammoniacal Nitrogen	mg/L	50	50

#### Note:

Standard A is applicable to discharge into any inland waters within catchment areas listed in the Third Schedule, while Standard B is applicable to any other inland waters or Malaysian waters.

## Existing Sewage Treatment System (approved before January 1999)

			Type of Sewage Treatment System									
			Comn Septio	nunal Tank	Imhoff Tank		Aerated Lagoon		Oxidation Pond		Mechanical System	
	Parameter	Unit	Α	В	A	В	A	В	Α	В	A	В
(a)	BOD <sub>5</sub> @20°C	mg/L	200	200	175	175	100	100	120	120	60	60
(b)	COD	mg/L	-	-	-	-	300	300	360	360	180	240
(c)	SS	mg/L	180	180	150	150	120	120	150	150	100	120
(d)	O & G	mg/L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	20
(e)	Amm-N	mg/L	-	-	100	100	80	80	70	70	60	60







#### DRINKING WATER QUALITY STANDARD

Basis as guideline of treated water quality to be achieved by the water treatment plant operator

Prepared by MOH based on WHO standard

## **Drinking Water Quality Standard**

PARAMETERS	MAXIMUM ACCEPTABLE VALUE				
Total coliform	Not detected in ANY 100 mL sample				
E. Coli	Absent in 100 mL sample				
Fecal streptococci	Absent in 100 mL sample (MF)				
	< 1 in 100 mL (MPN)				
Turbidity, NTU	5				
Colour, NTU	15				
Iron, mg/L	0.3				
Hardness, mg/L	500				