



Common Environmental Permits/Agencies in Spokane County

This document provides a partial list of common environmental permits required for business operations in Spokane County, including the City of Spokane. The list does not contain all permits that may be required and it is subject to change. It's the responsibility of the person/business to ensure that all necessary permits are obtained.

Air Quality

Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency
(Spokane Clean Air) (509) 477-4727
3104 E. Augusta Ave., Spokane, WA 99207
www.spokanecleanair.org



Administers a number of programs to achieve clean air goals under federal, state and local air quality regulations, including wood stoves, outdoor burning, dust and asbestos. A broad range of industrial and commercial facilities within Spokane County is subject to air pollution control requirements, annual registration, permitting and inspections. Examples of some operations and/or equipment are surface coating, gasoline dispensing, boilers, incinerators, afterburners, dry cleaning, woodworking, asphalt/concrete production, rock crushing, grain handling, abrasive blasting, fiberglass/plastic, metal plating, and foundries.

Solid Waste

City of Spokane
Solid Waste Management (509) 625-7878
1225 E. Marietta., Spokane, WA 99207
www.spokanecity.org



Responsible for both the collection and disposal of all solid waste and recyclables generated within the city of Spokane. Provides technical assistance on solid and hazardous waste issues. Sponsors small quantity generator program.

Spokane Regional Solid Waste System
(509) 625-6580, 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, WA 99201
www.solidwaste.org

Manages disposal of solid waste through transfer stations and Waste-to-Energy facility. Manages WTE facility, ash disposal, moderate risk waste planning, waste reduction, recycling, and composting. *For recycling questions, information, and referrals:* 625-6800
For free audits of solid waste streams for businesses: 625-6580

Water Quality

Washington State Department of Ecology
Eastern Regional Office (509) 329-3400
4601 N. Monroe, Suite 202, Spokane, WA 99205, www.ecy.wa.gov



Enforces state environmental regulations, including those concerning water quality, water rights, shorelines, and wetlands. Requires Permit to Withdraw or Divert Surface or Ground Water (Water Use Permit, Certificate of Water Right). Some of the water quality requirements include:
1) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for point source discharge of pollutants into surface waters;
2) Waste Discharge Permit for discharging industrial, commercial, and/or municipal waste to ground water; or sanitary sewer systems;
3) Waste Discharge Permit-Reclaimed Water for using water reclaimed from sewage treatment plants; and 4) approval to allow temporary exceedances of water quality standards.

Spokane Regional Health District, Environmental Health Division (509) 324-1560, 1101 W. College Ave., Room 402, Spokane, WA 99201, www.srhhd.org/EHS

Enforces statutes and regulations to minimize citizen exposure to biological, chemical, and physical hazards that are a concern to public health. Requires On-site Sewage Disposal Permit for disposal of sanitary sewage through septic tanks, drainfields, and other on-site systems. Requires Waterworks Operator Certification for operating a waterworks.



City of Spokane Wastewater Management Department (509) 625-4600
www.spokanewastewater.org

Enforces the City of Spokane industrial pretreatment requirements which set limits on the types of discharges allowed from industrial and commercial facilities that enter the City of Spokane municipal sanitary sewer system. **Wastewater Treatment Plants are also located in Cheney, Liberty Lake and Medical Lake. Contact information is listed on the back.**

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 1
(509) 456-4082, 8702 N. Division St., Spokane, WA 99218,
www.wa.gov/wdfw

Manages the state's fish, shellfish, and wildlife resources. Issues hydraulic project approvals (HPAs) for work that uses, diverts, obstructs, or changes the natural flow or bed of surface waters.

Hazardous Products, Hazardous Waste and Flammable Materials



Washington Department of Ecology,
Eastern Regional Office
(509) 329-3400, 4601 N. Monroe, Suite 202 Spokane, WA 99205
www.ecy.wa.gov

Enforces state environmental regulations, including those concerning hazardous and nuclear wastes, emergency response, and toxics cleanup. Some of the requirements include dangerous waste designation, Generator Identification Number/Reporting, Transporter Identification Number/Reporting, and Dangerous Waste Permits for treating, storing, disposing of dangerous waste.

Washington Department of Ecology
Hazardous Substance Information Office (800) 633-7585
P.O. Box 47659, Olympia, WA 98504, www.ecy.wa.gov
Provides access to hazardous substance information, including Hazardous Waste Education Fee, Tier 2, Form R, and Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know reporting.

City of Spokane Fire Department
(509) 625-7000, 44 W. Riverside, Spokane, WA 99201 www.spokanecity.org/fire
Conducts fire prevention, education, preparedness, and mitigation activities. Issues approximately 200 different types of permits related to operation of sites with flammable, ignitable, reactive, toxic, or hazardous materials; open flames; above and underground storage tanks for flammable or combustible materials; and fire alarm and extinguishing systems.

Fire Districts in Spokane County
See government pages in phone book under special districts

Spokane County, Division of Building and Planning
(509) 477-3675, 1026 W. Broadway, Spokane, WA 99260
www.spokanecounty.org/building
Handles numerous permits, including land use designations, fire and building safety inspections, fire code permits, LPG tank permits, critical materials review, fire alarm and extinguishing systems, and flammable tank permits.

Washington Department of Agriculture, Pesticide Management Division (509) 533-2690, N. 222 Havana, Suite 203, Spokane, WA 99202, www.wa.gov/agr/PestFert
Registers pesticides and fertilizers, sponsors pesticide use inspections and waste pesticide collection events. Registers manufacturers of pesticides, fertilizers, and animal feeds, and licenses the application of certain pesticides and fertilizers.

Washington Department of Labor and Industries Safety and Health (509) 324-2526, 901 N. Monroe, Suite 100, Spokane, WA 99201, www.wa.gov/lni
Deals with worker safety/health, including the hazardous Communication Standard and worker Right-to-Know law.

Other Permits/Building & Planning



In addition to common environmental permits and requirements, each city and town within Spokane County may have their own requirements related to building, planning and/or permitting. Below is a list of jurisdictions that may be involved in areas, including but not limited to: growth management/land use, building safety, construction/alteration/use/demolition of new and existing buildings/properties, permits and inspections related to construction, including building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, sewer, and zoning.

Spokane County, (509) 477-3675

City of Spokane, (509) 625-6300

City of Airway Heights, (509) 244-5514

City of Cheney, (509) 235-7211

City of Deer Park, (509) 276-8802

City of Liberty Lake, (509) 755-7606

Town of Millwood, (509) 924-0960

City of Medical Lake, (509) 565-5000

City of Spokane Valley, (509) 688-0036

