



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION TO APPROPRIATE AND USE GROUND WATER

******See Instructions on Page 2 to complete this form******

New Exemption Change Existing Permit to an Exemption (Provide permit # _____)
 Provide Name of Existing Permit Holder: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION	
_____ (Name) (Daytime Telephone Number(s)) (E-mail Address)	
_____ (Mailing Address) (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)	
<p>WITHDRAWAL of GROUNDWATER</p> <p>Quantity to be Used</p> <p>(1) _____ gallons per day based on an annual average (Total Annual Use ÷ 365)</p> <p>(2) _____ gallons per day during month of maximum use (highest monthly total ÷ 30)</p> <p><i>Quantities should reflect highest anticipated demand.</i></p>	<p>WELL INFORMATION</p> <p>_____ Planned or existing Wells to be used (Number)</p> <p>_____ Diameter of Well(s) (Inches)</p> <p>_____ Depth of Well(s) (Feet)</p> <p>_____ Tag Number(s) of Well(s) (Number)</p> <p>_____ Aquifer to be used if known (Name)</p>
LOCATION & MAP of WITHDRAWAL WELL(S)	
_____ (STREET ADDRESS – ADC PAGE/GRID – TAX MAP PAGE/GRID/PARCEL)	
County _____ Subdivision or Town _____	
Name and Type of Business _____	
PROPOSED SUBDIVISIONS MUST INCLUDE PLAT	
<p>PURPOSE</p> <p>The water will be used for:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Potable Supply</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cooling Water Check if: ___ Contact ___ Non-Contact</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Irrigation Check if: ___ Lawn ___ Garden ___ Landscape</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Process Water</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Non-Potable Supply (sanitary non-Drinking Water)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other, explain _____</p>	<p>CHECK APPLICABLE BOX</p> <p>The proposed water withdrawal</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Will <input type="checkbox"/> Will Not</p> <p>occur within a Water Management Strategy Area.</p>
<p><i>To the best of my knowledge, the information submitted on this form is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that submitting false, inaccurate or incomplete information may subject me to penalties allowed under Maryland law.</i></p> <p>SIGNATURE _____</p> <hr/> <p>PRINT (Name) (Title) (Date)</p>	<p>NOTE: THIS NOTICE OF EXEMPTION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A SIGNATURE AND LOCATION MAP</p>

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION TO APPROPRIATE AND USE GROUND WATER**

A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

USES THAT ARE NOT ELIGIBLE (NE) FOR AN EXEMPTION or DON'T REQUIRE (NR) AN EXEMPTION:

1. Any use of surface water (NE).
2. Annual average uses greater than 5,000 gallons per day (gpd) (NE).
3. Uses associated with subdividing land into more than 20 * residential lots on individual wells (presumption is such use could exceed 5,000 gpd) (NE). An appropriation and use permit should be applied for.
4. Uses within a water management strategy area (NE) (see page 3).
5. Uses for public water systems that serve at least 15 service connections used by year-round residents or regularly serve at least 25 year-round residents (NE).
6. Uses for temporary dewatering during construction if:
 - (a) The duration of the dewatering including any intermittent periods of non-pumping is expected to last for less than 30 calendar days, and
 - (b) The appropriation does not exceed an average of 10,000 gpd (NR).
7. Domestic uses (not including the subdivision of land) other than for heating or cooling (NR).
8. Persons needing water for extinguishing a fire (NR).
9. Agricultural uses less than an annual average of 10,000 gpd (NR). When agricultural uses are for an annual average of 10,000 gpd or more a permit is required.

FOR WHAT USES SHOULD THIS NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FORM BE FILED ?

The form should be filed for uses of ground water at an annual average of 5,000 gpd or less that don't meet any of the above criteria. A Notice of Exemption is required to be filed with the Department at least 30 days before a new use is proposed to begin. Existing permitted users that are not supplying water for public water systems as defined above (i.e. a community water system as defined in the Safe Drinking Water Act) and that are not located in a water management strategy area should file an exemption prior to the expiration of the permit. Existing permit numbers must be provided.

- A. MDE considers persons using water for residential ground water heat pumps eligible to file a Notice of Exemption, provided the withdrawal will be for 5000 gpd or less and the withdrawal is not within a water management strategy area. State regulations require that heat pump withdrawals be returned to the same aquifer from which it is withdrawn.
- B. See page 3 of this form for information on water management strategy areas. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Department.
- C. If further information is required a Department staff member will contact you. **NOTE:** The Department does not send a confirmation that your Notice of Exemption has been filed.
- D. The exemption will remain valid - even if changes in ground water use are made - as long as the ground water use meets the criteria for exemption.
- E. Failure to submit a Notice of Exemption for ground water use **or** failure to obtain a permit **or** failure to report to the Department that you are no longer eligible for an exemption after filing this form may result in enforcement action including a penalty assessment pursuant to Environment Article Sections 5-514.
- F. If you are **NOT** eligible, you should apply for a water withdrawal permit from the Department.

* *If a subdivision is to be built in phases, the number of lots is based on the total number of lots for total development of the site during a 12-year period.*

Questions?

Contact the Water Supply Program: • 410-537-3590 • Fax 410-537-3157 • <http://www.mde.state.md.us>

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AREA LOCATIONS,
 AS OF OCTOBER 1, 2007**

Area	County	Target Aquifer	Issue
1. Annapolis Neck	Anne Arundel	Aquia	Saltwater Intrusion
2. Indian Head	Charles	Lower & Upper Patapsco	Excessive Drawdown & Saltwater Intrusion
3. Waldorf	Charles	Magothy Patapsco	Excessive Drawdown
4. Kent Island	Queen Anne	Aquia	Saltwater Intrusion
5. West Ocean City	Worcester	Columbia	Saltwater Intrusion

Detailed maps available for Areas 1,4 and 5. Maps under development for Areas 2 and 3, will provide when completed.

