WATER QUALITY DIVISION

ATC/AOC Compliance Tips

Public water system owners must ensure each well, storage tank, chlorinator or treatment plant installed since April 1995 has an Approval to Construct (ATC) / Approval of Construction (AOC), or an exemption, issued by ADEQ or a delegated authority.¹

Why are ATCs and AOCs important?

They show that detailed technical reviews of system designs have been conducted before and after construction. That's how we know systems in Arizona are designed and built to standards that provide safe, potable water to customers as required by law.

What if my system has unpermitted components?

If you discover an unpermitted component in your system, first determine whether an ATC/AOC or an exemption is needed. An AOC application package can be submitted with the ATC application if no changes need to be made | Learn More > | Treatment is not included (for example: RO, IX, chlorination, point-of-use devices, etc.).

What components are exempt?

- Applicable structural revisions, additions, extensions, or modifications that have a project cost of \$12,500 or less
- Water lines not for a subdivision with a project cost less than \$50,000



Keep in Mind!

If you think a system component is exempt, you must submit an exemption request | View/Download Form >

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