

National Environmental Compliance Assistance Clearinghouse

Provides “one-stop” access to over 4,000 federal, state and other assistance providers’ compliance assistance materials including: training materials; frequently asked questions; compliance guides; planned and ongoing assistance activities; Pollution Prevention (P2) and Environmental Management Systems (EMS) information.

<http://epa.gov/clearinghouse>

Industry Sector Notebooks

This series of primers describe the environmental challenges facing more than 35 manufacturing, transportation, agricultural and government sectors. Each Notebook contains chapters on typical process operations, pollutants, applicable federal regulations, pollution prevention opportunities, the most common environmental violations within the sector, voluntary initiatives and associated organizations.

<http://epa.gov/compliance/sectornotebooks.html>



Small Business Compliance Assistance Policy

EPA encourages small businesses to conduct self-audits and work with us if environmental violations are discovered. This policy explains how businesses with fewer than 100 employees can benefit from a reduction in penalties for federal violations they discover, disclose and correct. Links to other resources for small businesses are also found here.

<http://epa.gov/compliance/incentives/smallbusiness/index.html>

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National Compliance Assistance Centers

User-friendly “first-stop shops.” Learn about federal and state environmental obligations in plain language. Look for the center specific to your industry or sector. Examples include: Printing, Construction, Automotive Service & Repair, Agriculture, and Local Government. You can also access compliance tools, and on-line training.

www.assistancecenters.net

Audit Protocols

These provide tools to help facilities conduct a self-audit and assess how well they are doing with federal environmental compliance. The protocols define terms, include an overview of the laws that apply to the sector, and have user-friendly checklists to help with the self-assessments.

<http://epa.gov/compliance/incentives/auditing/protocol.html>

Small Local Governments Compliance Assistance Policy

This policy is designed to encourage small local governments to achieve sustained comprehensive federal environmental compliance. Local governments can work with EPA and their States to come into compliance, and benefit from a reduction in penalties.

<http://epa.gov/compliance/incentives/smallcommunities/index.html>

Environmental Compliance Assistance

- EPA provides information to regulated entities to help them understand and comply with environmental laws and regulations.
- EPA provides information to other assistance providers to help them with their assistance efforts with regulated entities in their communities.

Learn About EPA Regional Initiatives:

Each EPA Regional Office has a Compliance Assistance Coordinator – contact your Coordinator for more information:

http://epa.gov/compliance/contact/cac_regional.html

Compliance assistance takes many forms including:

- Workshops and training
- Fact sheets and check-lists
- Self-audits and facility visits
- In-depth compliance guides
- Internet resources

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. . . Starting With a Few Keystrokes!



Understanding what environmental requirements you need to comply with can be overwhelming.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Compliance is dedicated to helping you understand these requirements so that together, we can protect our environment.

This brochure provides you with the links you need to get started in your search for information about what federal and state environmental requirements apply to your operations and how to ensure you are in compliance with them.

Visit EPA's National Compliance Assistance Website:

<http://epa.gov/compliance/assistance>