

(Board Note: The average emission rate is computed by dividing the sum of the emissions during operation by the number of hours of operation, excluding any time during which the equipment is idle. For process weight rates not listed, straight line interpolation between two consecutive process weight rates shall be used to determine allowable average emission rates.)

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SUBPART 5: AGRICULTURE

Section 212.461 Grain-Handling and-Drying in General

- a) Sections 212.302, 212.321 and 212.322 shall not apply to grain-handling and grain-drying operations, portable grain-handling facilities and one-turn storage space.
- b) Housekeeping Practices. All grain-handling and grain-drying operations, regardless of size, must implement and use the following housekeeping practices:
 - 1) Air pollution control devices shall be checked daily and cleaned as necessary to insure proper operation.
 - 2) Cleaning and Maintenance.
 - A) Floors shall be kept swept and cleaned from boot pit to cupola floor. Roof or bin decks and other exposed flat surfaces shall be kept clean of grain and dust that would tend to rot or become airborne.
 - B) Cleaning shall be handled in such a manner as not to permit dust to escape to the atmosphere.
 - C) The yard and surrounding open area, including but not limited to ditches and curbs, shall be cleaned to prevent the accumulation of rotting grain.
 - 3) Dump Pit.
 - A) Aspiration equipment shall be maintained and operated.
 - B) Dust control devices shall be maintained and operated.
 - 4) Head House. The head house shall be maintained in such a fashion that visible quantities of dust or dirt are not allowed to escape to the atmosphere.
 - 5) Property. The yard and driveway of any facility shall be asphalted, oiled or equivalently treated to control dust.

- 6) Housekeeping Check List. Housekeeping check lists to be developed by the Agency shall be completed by the manager and maintained on the premises for inspection by Agency personnel.

c) Exemptions. Any existing grain-handling operation having a grain through-put of not more than 2 million bushels per year and located inside a major population area and any existing grain-handling operation or existing grain-drying operation located outside of a major population area which is required to apply for a permit pursuant to Sections 212.462 and 212.463, respectively, shall receive such permit notwithstanding the control requirements of those respective rules provided said operation can demonstrate that the following conditions exist upon application for, or renewal of, an operating permit:

- 1) The requirements of subsection (b) are being met; and
- 2) No certified investigation is on file with the Agency indicating that there is an alleged violation prior to issuance of the permit.

A) If a certified investigation is on file with the Agency indicating an alleged violation, any applicant may obtain an exemption for certain operations if said applicant can prove to the Agency that those parts of his operation for which he seeks exemption are not the probable cause of the alleged violation.

B) Applicants requesting an exemption in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) may be granted an operating permit for a limited time, not to exceed 12 months in duration, if an objection is on file with the Agency on which a certified investigation has not been made prior to issuance of the permit.

C) An applicant may consider denial of an exemption under this rule as a refusal by the Agency to issue a permit. This shall entitle the applicant to appeal the Agency's decision to the Board pursuant to Section 40 of the Act (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1981, ch. 111 1/2, par. 1040).

d) Loss of Exemption. Any existing grain-handling operation or existing grain-drying operation that has received an operating permit pursuant to the provisions of subsection (c) above shall apply for an operating and/or construction permit pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 201 within 60 days after receipt of written notice from the Agency that a certified investigation is on file with the Agency indicating that there is an alleged violation against the operation. The