

# Province Wide Approvals

In Saskatchewan, the Ministry of Health is responsible for *The Public Health Act, 1994* (the Act) and pursuant regulations such as *The Health Hazard Regulations*, *The Private Sewage Works Regulations* and *The Plumbing Regulations*. The administration and enforcement of the Act and regulations rests with the local authorities. , The Health Regions have been appointed as local authorities for most public health regulations. In addition, the cities of Regina, Saskatoon, Lloydminster and The Global Transportation Hub Authority for the purposes of *The Plumbing Regulations* and in some cases *The Private Sewage Regulations* are designated as local authorities. These regulations allow for the local authority to determine whether an alternative is equivalent to a prescriptive requirement.

In situations where there is need for obtaining approval from multiple health regions to use or install an alternative equivalent, suppliers and manufacturers may request province wide approval by submitting a proposal to the Ministry of Health.

In order to apply for a province wide approval, a letter requesting approval for a product(s) or model(s) should be submitted electronically to the Ministry. The letter must indicate how the system conforms to the current regulations and/or guidance documents. In addition, the letter should indicate what aspects of the product do not conform to the current regulations and/or guidance documents. Lastly, some information on the usage of the product should be supplied.

Other information should also be submitted to support the application including:

- 1) technical specifications;
- 2) design/installation manuals;
- 3) proof of conformance to applicable standards;
- 4) copies of approval (or denial) letters from other North American jurisdictions (in particular Canadian jurisdictions); and,
- 5) other information that may provide context for why the product should be considered at least equivalent to an accepted product.

Please note that a province wide approval does not remove the need for obtaining necessary permits or approvals to install the product.

For sewage related products, applicable regulations and guidance documents are:

- Saskatchewan Onsite Wastewater Disposal Guide.
- *The Private Sewage Works Regulations*.
- *The Shoreland Pollution Control Regulations, 1976*.

Other documents found: <http://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/environmental-health/plumbing-sewage>

For plumbing related products, applicable regulations and guidance documents are:

- *The Plumbing Regulations*.
- The Saskatchewan Amendments to the Appendices of the National Plumbing Code (2005).
- The 2005 National Plumbing Code.

Other documents found: <http://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/environmental-health/plumbing-sewage>

For small drinking water related products, applicable regulations and guidance documents are:

- *The Health Hazard Regulations.*
- Guideline For Construction And Approval Of Public Water Systems Regulated Under *The Health Hazard Regulations.*

Other documents found: <http://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/environmental-health/water-quality-and-testing>

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