

OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

CHAPTER 690

DIVISION 217

REQUIREMENT FOR PUMP TESTING OF NONEXEMPT WELLS

690-217-0020

Requirements [and Due Dates] for Pump Tests

(1) For water right applications received on or after [the effective date of these rules] **December 20, 1988**, a pump test as described in OAR 690-217-0005 to 690-217-0055 is required before a certificate of water right will be issued. [In the event a certificate of water right is not issued before ten years after the priority date, a pump test shall be submitted on or before the ten-year anniversary of the priority date.] **The results of the test shall be submitted on the pump test report form.**

(2) For water right permits or certificates with priority dates before [the effective date of these rules] **December 20, 1988**, a pump test as described in OAR 690-217-0005 to 690-217-0055 **and subsequent pump test requirements every ten years** shall be [conducted and the results submitted to] **waived unless required by** the Director [on or before the next ten-year anniversary of the priority date. For water rights with priority dates before the effective date of these rules, no tests shall be required until 1990]. **The Director may require pump tests as provided in ORS 537.772 in specific cases or areas as determined to be necessary. Such areas may include, but are not limited to, critical ground water areas or serious water management problem areas as defined in OAR 690-085-0020.**

[(3) If a qualified pump test has been performed on a well in the ten-year period prior to the due date for the first pump test required under these rules, that test shall be accepted by the Director. To be qualified, a test shall meet the requirements outlined in OAR 690-217-0005 to 690-217-0055. The results of the test shall be submitted on the pump test report form.

(4) Subsequent pump tests shall be conducted and the results submitted to the Director on or before the ten-year anniversary of the date the first test required under these rules was conducted unless such tests are waived under these rules.

(5) After the first pump test required for a well by these rules has been submitted to the Director, subsequent pump test requirements every ten years shall be waived except

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for a static water level measurement unless required by the Director. The Director may require full or modified pump tests in specific cases or areas as determined to be necessary. Such areas may include, but are not limited to, critical ground water areas or serious water management problem areas as defined in OAR 690-085-0020.

(6) The Director shall accept reports before the pump test due date so well owners may take advantage of pump testing opportunities such as during pump maintenance or land sale transactions. If a pump test is submitted before the due date, the ten-year anniversary of the date that the test is conducted shall be the due date for the next pump test.]

[(7)](3) If a landowner owns multiple wells producing from the same aquifer and has tested one of those wells, he may request exemptions for all other of those wells which are within five miles of the tested well and which produce water from the same aquifer. If a well is more than five miles from the tested well, or produces from a different aquifer, it must be tested separately. Requests for exemptions shall be in writing and include water well reports or other documentation showing the water producing zones for each well.

[(8)](4) In cases where a well provides the source of water for more than one water right permit or certificate, it shall be indicated on the pump test report that the pump test applies to multiple water rights. The permit or certificate numbers of all the water rights the pump test applies to shall be listed on the pump test report.

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