

**Susquehanna River Basin Commission Rules & Regulations  
(Special Regulations and Standards–Subpart B Only)**

Subpart B -- Water Conservation Requirements

§ 804.20 Requirement.

Any project sponsor whose project is subject to commission approval under this part or part 803 of this chapter proposing to withdraw water either directly or indirectly (through another user) from surface or ground-water sources or both shall comply with the following requirements:

- (a) Public water suppliers. As circumstances warrant, the public water supplier shall:
  - (1) Reduce distribution system losses to a level not exceeding 20 percent of the gross withdrawal.
  - (2) Install meters for all users.
  - (3) Establish a program of water conservation that will:
    - (i) Require installation of water conservation devices, as applicable, by all classes of users;
    - (ii) Prepare and distribute literature to customers describing available water conservation techniques;
    - (iii) Implement a water pricing structure which encourages conservation; and
    - (iv) Encourage water reuse.
- (b) Industrial water users. Industrial users shall:
  - (1) Designate a company representative to manage plant water use.
  - (2) Install meters or other suitable devices or utilize acceptable flow measuring methods for accurate determination of water use by various parts of the company operation.
  - (3) Install flow control devices which match the needs of the equipment being used for production.
  - (4) Evaluate and utilize applicable recirculation and reuse practices.
- (c) Agricultural and other irrigation. Water users for irrigation purposes shall utilize irrigation systems properly designed for the user's respective soil characteristics, topography and vegetation.

§ 804.21 Effective date.

Notwithstanding the effective date for other portions of this Part, this subpart shall apply to all surface and ground-water withdrawals initiated on or after January 11, 1979.

§ 804.22 Definitions.

Terms used in this subpart shall be defined as set forth in §803.3 of this chapter.