

Harford County Health Department
Harford County and Maryland State Public Health Laws and Regulations

TOPIC	PUBLIC HEALTH AREA	LAW OR REGULATORY CITATION	DESCRIPTION/ROLE PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY
OPEN BURNING PERMITS	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.11.07 Harford County Code Chapter 109-12	Reviews and issues open burning permits.
AIR QUALITY	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.11.06 Harford County Code Chapter 109-12	Investigates outdoor air quality complaints. Educates public on a variety of air pollution subjects including radon, asbestos, ozone, etc.
INDOOR SMOKING	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.19.04	Investigates complaints concerning indoor smoking at public facilities, hotels and motels
BUILDING PERMITS	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.04.02 Harford County Code Chapter 216	Reviews residential building permits served by OSDS and/or wells and commercial building permits ensuring all health laws are met.
FOOD PROTECTION & PLAN REVIEW	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.15.03	Licenses and inspects food service facilities (restaurants, schools, churches, and mobile units). Inspects food service at special events; fairs. Reviews plans for new and existing food service facilities.
MOBILE HOME PARKS	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.16.02	Inspects and issues an annual operation permit
OUTDOOR MUSIC FESTIVALS	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.16.05	Reviews application and issues health permits for outdoor musical festivals
ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS (OSDS)	Environmental Health	Harford County Code Chapter 216 COMAR 26.04.02	Reviews application and issues OSDS permits; investigates failing on-site sewage disposal complaints; evaluates sites to determine suitability of on-site sewage disposal.
CAMPGROUNDS	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.16.03	Inspects and permits campgrounds; performs environmental inspections on youth camps.
TATTOO & BODY PIERCING	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.06.01.06	Investigates complaints involving tattooing & body piercing operations.

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TANNING FACILITIES	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.52.06	Conducts complaint inspection of tanning facilities for compliance with use by minors
PUBLIC POOL PROGRAM	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.17.01	Inspects and licenses public swimming pools.
RABIES CONTROL PROGRAM	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.06.02	Investigates all animal attacks involving humans and animals to assess the risk of the rabies virus. Conducts low cost anti-rabies vaccination clinics throughout the county
PET STORE PROGRAM	Environmental Health	COMAR 10.06.01	Issues Exotic Bird Permits. Inspects pet stores for compliance with reptile CAUTION notices, exotic bird records, humane and sanitary conditions
SOLID WASTE PROGRAM	Environmental Health	Harford County Code Chapter 109	Investigates complaints regarding to garbage, medical waste, hazardous waste, abandon properties.
SEWAGE SLUDGE	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.04.06	Reviews sewage sludge applications and sites; monitors land application and responds to complaints
SUBDIVISION & PLAN REVIEW	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.04.03 Harford County Code Chapter 216	Reviews subdivision plans to ensure adequate water supply and wastewater disposal are provided.
VECTOR CONTROL PROGRAM	Environmental Health	Harford County Code Chapter 109-7	Investigates complaints involving rodents, insects and other vermin.
PRIVATE DRINKING WELLS	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.04.04	Reviews and issues well permits. Analyze Well Completion Reports. Issue Certificate of Potability for safe private well supplies.
SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOWS	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.08.10	Upon notification, ensures that all public notifications and advisories remain posted until the public health risk has subsided.
TRANSIENT NON-COMMUNITY WATER SUPPLY (TNCWS)	Environmental Health	COMAR 26.04.01	Oversees water quality and distribution systems for public systems classified as TNCWS.

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EMERGENCY AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE RULES	Emergency Preparedness	Public Safety § 14-113	Executes and enforces orders, rules and regulations made by the Governor in the event of a threat or occurrence of an enemy attack, act of terrorism, or public health catastrophe
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.03	Regulations for cooperative communicable disease and related condition control
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Record Maintenance and Confidentiality)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.05	Confidentiality rules pertaining to medical records
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Control Measures)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.06	To prevent the spread of communicable disease or to control a reportable disease and condition
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Amebiasis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.08	Control of case, contacts, and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Campylobacteriosis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.08-1	Control of case, contacts, and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Escherichia coli O157:H7)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.08-2	Control of case, contacts, and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Hepatitis, Viral Type A)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.10	Control of case, contacts, and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Hepatitis, Viral Type B)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.11	Control of case, contacts, and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Hepatitis, Viral Type C)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.11-1	Control of case, contacts, and infection, education
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Measles [Rubeola])	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.12	Control of case, contacts, and infection. Proof of Immunity for Hospital Workers
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Pneumococcal Disease)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.12-1	Vaccinations of an Individual at Risk.
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Psittacosis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.13	Infection control.
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Rabies)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.14	Control of case, contacts, and infection

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COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Rubella (German Measles))	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.15	Control of case, contacts and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Salmonellosis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.16	Control of case, contacts, control of infection and carriers
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Sexually Transmitted Disease – Syphilis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.17	Control of case, contacts, and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Other Sexually Transmitted Diseases)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.18	Control of case and contacts, prevention of Gonococcal Ophthalmia Neonatorum.
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Shigellosis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.19	Control of Case, contacts and infection
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Trichinosis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.20	Environmental control
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Tuberculosis)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.21	Control of case and contacts
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (Typhoid Fever)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.06.01.22	Control of case, contacts, infection and carrier control
DISEASE CONTROL (HIV/AIDS)	Communicable Disease	COMAR 10.18.03.04	Follow-up by the health officer of a report of HIV or AIDS or newborn HIV exposure or laboratory report of HIV infection or CD4+ count
VISION AND HEARING SCREENINGS	Care Coordination	Education – § 7-404	Vision and hearing screenings for students in public and other schools
AUTHORITY – LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER	General	Health – General § 3-301 to §3-309 Health – General § 18-208	Local Health Officer’s powers and duties