

MONITORING WELL REQUIREMENTS

Construction

A water well contractor's license is not required to construct a monitoring well in Illinois.

Monitoring Wells must be constructed according to **Section 920.170 of the Illinois Water Well Construction Code:**

<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/077/07700920sections.html>

Contact the approved local health department prior to constructing a monitoring well within its jurisdiction. Bureau County Health Department requires a permit to construct a monitoring well and Winnebago County Health Department requires a registration.

Notification **prior** to constructing a monitoring well is **not required** by the Department. **Within 30 days after a monitoring well has been constructed, the owner, designer or consulting firm shall submit a report of construction to the approved local health department or the Department.** Completed construction reports must include the following location information: County, Township, Range, Section, Quarter, Quarter, Quarter Section, and GPS coordinates.

A CONSTRUCTION REPORT FORM AND INSTRUCTIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S Webpage:

http://www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/pdf/WW_WellConstRpt.pdf; and

http://www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/pdf/WW_WellConstRpt_Inst.pdf

Abandonment

A water well contractor's license is not required to seal an abandoned monitoring well in Illinois.

All abandoned monitoring wells must be sealed according to **Section 920.120 of the Illinois Water Well Construction Code:**

<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/077/07700920sections.html>

Check with the approved local health department if a permit is required to seal a monitoring well within its jurisdiction. Bureau, Douglas, Henderson, Kane, Lake, McHenry, Mercer, Ogle and Rock Island county health departments require a permit to seal a monitoring well. **A LISTING OF APPROVED LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S Webpage:** **<http://www.idph.state.il.us/local/alpha.htm>**

Notification must be made to the approved local health department or the Department's regional office by telephone or in writing at least 48 hours prior to the start of the work to seal any monitoring wells. **A water well sealing form must be completed and sent to the approved local health department or Department not more than 30 days after the monitoring well is sealed.** **A WATER WELL SEALING FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S Webpage:** **http://www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/pdf/WW_WellSealingFrm.pdf**

If you have any additional questions, contact an approved local health department or the Illinois Department of Public Health.