

Consent to Operate (CTO) Guide

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Operate legally under pollution norms — when Consent to Operate is required, the application process, conditions and monitoring (effluent and emission norms, records) and the renewal cycle. Fill in the details below.

Purpose of this tool & output

Operate legally under pollution norms

How the output is used

Use the guide to get Consent to Operate (CTO) and to operate legally under pollution norms.

Who receives it

The State Pollution Control Board (Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate).

How to submit / file it

Apply on the state PCB portal with the project, effluent/emission and treatment details; category (red/orange/green) decides scrutiny.

Fees & charges

A fee based on category and project cost; validity and renewal vary by state and category.

Who should vet it

An environmental consultant for category, norms and treatment design.

Important cautions

AI-generated guide; procedures vary by state board, confirm with your SPCB.

Companion documents

- Consent to Establish (CTE) Guide
- Hazardous Waste Compliance
- EPR Compliance Guide
- BIS / ISI Certification Guide
- Environmental Compliance Audit
- Effluent & ETP Management Guide

This is AI-assisted guidance. Verify with a qualified professional before any binding decision. Fees, authorities and processes vary by state and change over time — confirm with your state authority.