

Pollution Consent & Reject Water Guide

Water, RO & Sanitation

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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

Explains Pollution Control Board consent (CTE and CTO) and reject-water and effluent handling for water plants and treatment units — category, norms, disposal and the process. Use it before operating a plant or discharging reject water.

Purpose of this tool & output

PCB consent and reject/effluent norms

How the output is used

Use it to get PCB consent and meet reject or effluent norms — the SPCB Consent to Establish and Operate a water plant needs, and the reject-water rules.

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

Reject-water and effluent norms and categories vary by state PCB and change and untreated discharge is penalised; RO reject is a significant compliance and cost issue. Confirm your category and norms with the State Pollution Control Board and plan reject reuse.

Companion documents

- [Water Business Licence Roadmap](#)
- [BIS ISI Certification Guide](#)
- [Water FSSAI Licence Guide](#)
- [Groundwater \(CGWA\) NOC Guide](#)
- [Legal Metrology & Packaging Guide](#)
- [Plastic Waste & EPR Compliance Guide](#)

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