





Does Your Metal Facility Qualify for a NEC?

Requirements for a No Exposure Certification (NEC)

Under the 2014 Industrial General Permit (IGP)



All metal facilities operating under SIC codes 2000-3999 and 5093 are covered under the 2014 storm water Industrial General Permit (IGP).

One option for compliance may be the No Exposure Certification (NEC).

What is a NEC?

The "No Exposure Certification (NEC)" is a written statement from the facility owner certifying there is no exposure of the facility's industrial activities, equipment and materials to storm water.

What is the NFC Process?

- Eliminate all unauthorized non-stormwater discharges.
- Protect all industrial materials and activities from exposure to rain and/or any runoff by providing a storm-resistant shelter to designated areas.
- Certify annually that the facility continues to meet NEC requirements.
- Submit all supporting documents to the appropriate Regional Water Board.
- Pay an annual fee.
- A Regional Water Board inspector will walk the facility to confirm or deny the NEC.



How Do I Apply for a NEC?

The California Metals Coalition (CMC) operates the Metals Industry Storm Water Group (MISWG). Thru its partnership with the experts at KERAMIDA, we have **completed numerous successful NECs** for metal facilities across the state.

Some examples of the NEC requirements include:

- No exposure while using, storing or cleaning industrial machinery/equipment.
- No exposure to materials or residuals on the ground or at storm water drain outlet.
- No exposure of materials or products during loading/unloading.
- No exposure of materials stored outdoors (except final products intended for outdoor use).
- No exposure of materials contained in open, deteriorated, or leaking drums, barrels, tanks, etc.
- No drain disposal of processed wastewater (unless already covered by the NPDES permit).
- No industrial process particulates from roof stacks/vents flowing into downspouts and drains.

FREE ASSISTANCE:

A **complimentary site visit** is available to all metal facilities that contact the California Metals Coalition. Meet with one of KERAMIDA's experts to determine if your facility meets the NEC requirements.

What if the NEC is Rejected?

If the NEC is rejected, or if the facility does not qualify for the NEC, you must file for full coverage under the IGP.

This includes, but is not limited to: (1) Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, (2) Site Map, (3) Annual Fee, (4) Collecting Samples, (5) Best Management Practices, (6) Filing Annual Report, and (7) Posting Sampling Results and Documentation On-Line thru SMARTS.

