

# One-Time Compliance Report for Dental Dischargers



## How do I find and submit the forms I need?

- Download Standard Plans and Forms at [piercecountywa.gov/sewerformsandplans](http://piercecountywa.gov/sewerformsandplans).
- Submit copies of the plans, engineering reports, and specifications with this application to: <https://pals.piercecountywa.gov/palonline/#/dashboard>. All documents must be in PDF format.

If you have questions, please contact us at (253) 798-2737.

Dental offices with sewer service from municipalities with industrial pretreatment programs must report to their wastewater utility ([Federal Rules at 40 CFR Part 441](#)).

## Which dental facilities must report under this rule?

Dental offices that emplace or remove amalgam and discharge wastewater to the sanitary sewer must submit a one-time compliance report that attests to certain things (see form A29 Dental Dischargers).

Dental offices which don't emplace amalgam, and don't remove amalgam except in limited emergency or unplanned, unanticipated circumstances only need to submit information in the general information, applicability, and certification sections of this form (the first two and last sections).

### Exemptions:

Oral pathology	Oral and maxillofacial radiology	Oral and maxillofacial surgery
Orthodontics	Periodontics	Prosthodontics

## When is the form due?

The completed Supplemental Information Checklist A29 is due:

### Dental offices that:

Started business after July 14, 2017

Change owners

Were in business on July 14, 2017 and haven't changed owners

### Due:

within 90 days after accepting patients

within 90 days after the change

by October 12, 2020

Only one form is required per office. A new form is not required if the owner remains but other dentists practicing in the office change, if dental equipment is replaced, or if a new amalgam separator is installed.

## How do I submit the form?

After completing form A29, print and sign two copies.

Keep one for your permanent records—send the other copy to Pierce County.

### Email Address:

[pcpwu\\_pretreat@piercecountywa.gov](mailto:pcpwu_pretreat@piercecountywa.gov)

### Mailing Address:

Pierce County Industrial Pretreatment Program  
10311 Chambers Creek Road West  
University Place, WA 98467

## Frequently asked questions

### **I am opening a new office. Do I need to do anything else?**

Yes. A pretreatment review application must be submitted.

### **Where do I get a pretreatment review application?**

Forms are available at [piercecountywa.gov/sewerforms](http://piercecountywa.gov/sewerforms)

Please start with:

1. [Minor Industrial User Pretreatment Review Application \(A5\)](#)
2. [Dentist and Orthodontists bulletin \(B9\)](#)

### **I will have an amalgam separator. What is the removal efficiency requirement?**

The amalgam separator is to have a minimum of a 99% effective removal rate.

### **What about my x-ray equipment?**

If x-rays are developed on-site and the fixer discharged to the sanitary sewer system, a silver recovery system must be reviewed, approved, and installed prior to discharging. The system must have a minimum of two (2) canisters connected in series. Please see Dentist and Orthodontists bulletin (B9) for more details.

### **What other information might I need to submit?**

Information regarding sterilization of equipments, plaster traps, floor and plumbing plans, clothes/uniform washing may be required.