

# Industrial Camps

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Industrial camps are places where people are employed and accommodated onsite – such as camps supporting forestry, saw mills, mining, canneries, oil and gas activities or a similar industry, such as agriculture work camps and tree planting camps.

The operation of an industrial camp is prescribed as a regulated activity under B.C.'s [Public Health Act](#). An industrial camp operator must comply with the requirements of the [Industrial Camps Regulation](#).

Camp operators should contact the health authority at the earliest possible stage before camp development to ensure provisions under the [Industrial Camps Regulation](#) are incorporated into the camp's design and operation.

Prior to operation of an industrial camp the operator must ensure requirements under the [Drinking Water Protection Act](#), the [Sewerage System Regulation](#) and the [Food Premises Regulation](#) are met.

## To apply for approval follow the steps below:

**Step 1:** Review the [B.C. Guidelines for Industrial Camp Regulation](#). This Guideline will help you determine what documentation is required for approval.

**Step 2:** Submit completed forms and documents to your [local Environmental Public Health office](#):

- [Industrial Camp Application Form](#)
- [Drinking Water Permits and Approval](#)
- [Food Premises Permits and Approval](#)
- [Onsite Sewerage Systems and Holding Tanks](#)

**Step 3:** Once the required documents are submitted, reviewed and approved, the Environmental Health Officer will conduct an inspection prior to opening to ensure the industrial camp meets requirements under applicable *Acts* and *Regulations*.

Contact the [Environmental Health Officer](#) for your area if you have any questions.