

SECTION 2

SANITATION

02.A GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

02.A.01 Employers shall establish and maintain basic sanitation provisions for all employees in all places of employment as specified in the following paragraphs.

02.B DRINKING WATER

02.B.01 An adequate supply of drinking water shall be provided in all places of employment. Cool water shall be provided during hot weather.

a. Drinking water shall be provided at continental United States (CONUS) fixed facilities according to the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, and all applicable Federal, State, and local regulations. Refer to the most current version of 40 CFR 141 and 40 CFR 143, for updates to the national drinking water regulations. Refer to individual State and local regulations, as applicable, for updates in those regulations. CONUS facilities classified as suppliers of water—

(1) Must comply with substantive and procedural requirements pursuant to 40 CFR 141;

(2) Must meet any State and local regulations that are more stringent than the Federal regulations; and

(3) Shall ensure that the sanitary control and surveillance of water supplies and that the chlorination and fluoridation are conducted according with applicable guidelines.

b. Drinking water at military outside continental United States (OCONUS) fixed facilities shall be provided in compliance with country-specific Final Governing Standards (FGS) or, in the absence of FGS, the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR) as outlined in the Overseas Environmental Baseline Guidance Document (OEBGD) (Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 4715.5-G). In addition, the sanitary control and surveillance of water supplies and the chlorination and fluoridation shall be conducted according to applicable Department of Defense (DOD) Component guidelines, or if more stringent, the host nation requirements.

c. Drinking water for field activities shall be provided according to the procedures defined in Army Regulation (AR) 700-136; Field Manual (FM) 10-52; FM 21-10/Marine Corps Reference Publication (MCRP) 4-11.1D; and Technical Bulletin, Medical (TB MED) 577.

d. Drinking water on all Army floating vessels is provided according to 40 CFR 141 and chapter 6 of Navy Medical (NAVMED) P-5010-010-LP-207-1300.

02.B.02 Only approved potable water systems shall be used for the distribution of drinking water.

02.B.03 Drinking water shall be dispensed by means that prevent contamination between the consumer and the source.

02.B.04 Portable drinking water dispensers shall be designed, constructed, and serviced to ensure sanitary conditions; shall be capable of being closed; and shall have a tap. Containers shall be clearly marked as “**DRINKING WATER**” and shall not be used for other purposes. Water shall not be dipped from containers.

02.B.05 Fountain dispensers shall have a guarded orifice.

02.B.06 Use of a common cup (a cup shared by more than one worker) is prohibited without the cup being sanitized between uses. Employees shall use cups when drinking from portable water coolers/containers. Unused disposable cups shall be kept in sanitary containers and a waste receptacle shall be provided for used cups.

02.B.07 Non-potable water.

a. Outlets dispensing non-potable water will be conspicuously posted "**CAUTION - WATER UNSAFE FOR DRINKING, WASHING, OR COOKING.**" (Outlets dispensing nonpotable water at Corps Dumping Stations within campgrounds may, in lieu of this requirement, be posted in accordance with USACE's Engineering Pamphlet (EP) 310-1-6A and EP 310-1-6B.)

b. Cross-connection - open or potential - between a system furnishing potable water and a system furnishing non-potable water is prohibited.