



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS MANAGEMENT

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## Permit Application to Adopt an Oil or Gas Well

*Applicant Information: Please type or print.*

Name of applicant			
Street Number and Name or P.O. Box Number			OGO #
City	State	Zip Code	Project Number (If previously assigned by DEP):
Phone			Fax

**Applicant Notification:** Pursuant to the notification requirements of Section 3211(b.2) of 58 Pa.C.S. §§ 3201-3274 (2012 Oil and Gas Act), the applicant is hereby notified of both statutory and regulatory obligations to properly plug any adopted well upon abandonment.

*Well Information: Please group wells by county and use a separate form to list wells in each different county.*

API # / Other ID	County	Municipality	Well (Farm) Name	Well #	Serial #	Date Drilled	Well Type	Total Depth	Quad	Section	Was Well Involved in Frac Communication Incident?	Latitude	Longitude
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<p><b>Attachments Checklist (please check all that apply):</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Well locations plotted on a 7½ minute topographic map.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Driller's log, if available.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Any additional well information available.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Workover summary, if required.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Applicant Signature:</b></p> <p>Subject to the penalties of Title 18-PA C.S. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities, I certify that I have the authority to submit this request to operate the above-listed abandoned wells. Further, I certify that the information provided on this form and attachments is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and information.</p> <p>Signature: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Type or Print Name and Title: _____</p>
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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING A PERMIT APPLICATION TO ADOPT AN OIL  
OR GAS WELL  
Form 8000-PM-OOGMXXXX**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The following instructions are designed to assist the applicant in properly completing the "Well Adoption Permit," form 8000-PM-OOGMXXXX. Pursuant to Section 3211(l) of 58 Pa.C.S. §§ 3201-3274 (2012 Oil and Gas Act), a person who proposes to conduct abandoned or orphan well operations shall first obtain a permit to operate such a well. This form is for use in any situation where an applicant is interested operating an oil or gas well that is classified as either orphan or abandoned.

Upon approval of a well adoption permit by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the new owner/operator of the well assumes full responsibility for complying with all applicable laws and regulations. This includes the responsibility to properly plug the well upon abandonment. The notification requirements of Section 3211(b.2) of 58 Pa.C.S. §§ 3201-3274 (2012 Oil and Gas Act) are provided on Form 8000-PM-OOGMXXXX.

**ADOPTION PERMIT LIMITATIONS**

Although DEP does not regulate lease agreements, to legally operate an orphan or abandoned well, the applicant must possess or obtain the lease and abide by all laws of the Commonwealth regulating such matters. If the subject well is not already on DEP's orphan and abandoned well list, the applicant is also responsible for determining if any operating/ownership interests are associated with the well prior to submitting this application. Any wells for which a responsible party exists are not eligible for adoption.

Please note that if any of the following activities must be completed prior to operating the oil or gas well, a permit to drill, redrill, alter or deepen an existing well (Form 8000-PM-OOGM0001) pursuant to Section 3211(a) of 58 Pa.C.S. §§ 3201-3274 (2012 Oil and Gas Act) is required instead of the well adoption permit:

- a) Any changes that affect the depth or diameter of the wellbore.
- b) Any changes in the use or purpose of the well.
- c) Any changes that affect coal casing or production casing serving as coal casing.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

If completing forms manually, please type or print legibly. Unreadable information will delay processing, and may result in your application being returned to you.

Information required on these forms is mostly self-explanatory. Instructions are written only for those items that need some explanation. If an item is not relevant to your application, enter "NA" in that space rather than leaving the space blank. If information requested requires more space than the form allows, please append additional pages to the application.

If you have any questions about this application, or need more information or additional forms, contact the appropriate DEP district oil and gas office. Refer to the [district permitting office map](#). Note that for purposes of submitting applications for well adoption permits, your application is to be submitted to the applicable well permitting office that covers the county in which the well will be located. There are two well permitting offices as shown on the "permitting office map."

### PA DEP

Bureau of District Oil and Gas Operations

Northwest District Office

Phone 814-332-6860

230 Chestnut Street

Fax 814-332-6121

Meadville, PA 16335-3481

### PA DEP

Bureau of District Oil and Gas Operations

Southwest District Office

Phone 412-442-4024

400 Waterfront Drive

Fax 412-442-4328

Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4745

If you have problems using the forms on your personal computer or printing them, please contact:

### PA DEP

Bureau of Oil and Gas Planning and Program Management

PO Box 8765

Phone 717-772-2199

Harrisburg, PA 17105-8765

Fax 717-772-2291

## Applicant Information

### Name of Applicant

Enter the name of the business or individual that will be the operator of this well. Enter the applicant's name, street, city, state, zip code, phone number and email address.

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DEP will issue a permit only to a legal entity, e.g., an individual doing business in his or her own name or in a registered fictitious name, or to a duly registered corporation, partnership, or limited liability company. A fictitious named business or organization must already be registered with the Pennsylvania Department of State before DEP will process a permit application.

Proof of incorporation or registration of a fictitious name must be provided with the bond application via the General Information form (8000-FM-OOGM0099) and the Ownership and Control form (8000-FM-OOGM0118).

### **Address**

Enter the applicant's current mailing address, including street number and name/P.O. Box, city, state, and zip code. Operators are required to notify the DEP in writing of an address change within 30 days of a change.

### **Other Contact Information**

Enter a phone and fax number for the business or individual applying to adopt the well.

### **Other Identifying Information**

Enter the OGO # and/or Project Number, if either has been previously assigned. The OGO # is the oil and gas operator number and the project number is a designation assigned to a group of wells associated by production field or farm. If applicable, the project number would have already been, or will be assigned by DEP.

### **Well Information**

#### **API # / Other ID**

Enter the API # assigned to the well using the following format: CCC-XXXXX. CCC represents the three-digit county code and XXXXX represents the unique, 5-digit county ID. The sections of the API number must be separated by a dash (-). If the well has not previously been permitted or registered, but was part of an Area of Review (AOR) survey pursuant to 25 Pa. Code Chapters 78 or 78a, §78.52a or §78a.52a, respectively; please enter the ID that was provided in the AOR Report Summary Table.

#### **County and Municipality**

Enter the name of the county and municipality of the surface location of the identified well. Type in the municipality name and the appropriate designation type. E.g.: City, Borough (Boro) or Township (Twp).

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### **Well (Farm) Name, Well #, and Serial #**

Enter the farm name, well number, and if applicable, the “serial number” assigned to the well for tracking purposes. The Farm Name, Well # and Serial # are the applicant’s designations to identify the well, unless these have already been identified in DEP’s orphan and abandoned well list.

### **Date Drilled**

If known, enter the date the well was drilled in DD/MM/YYYY format.

### **Well Type**

Enter gas, oil, comb. (gas & oil), injection (recovery), gas storage, or coalbed methane (CBM), or specify any other well type that applies.

### **Total Depth**

If the total depth/true vertical depth of the well is known, enter this value in feet below ground surface.

### **USGS Quad and Section**

Enter the name of the USGS 7½ minute quadrangle map and section of the quad the well is to be located on.

### **Information on Hydraulic Fracturing Communication Incidents**

If the well was involved in a hydraulic fracturing communication incident pursuant to 25 Pa. Code Chapters 78 or 78a, §78.73 or §78a.73, enter “Y,” otherwise enter “N.” Please note that for any well involved in a hydraulic fracturing communication, the operator must attach a description of workover activities that will be completed at the well prior to operation.

### **Location**

Provide the true Latitude and Longitude of the surface location of the wellbore in degrees, minutes, and seconds. This should be the same as shown on the 7½ minute topographic map and must reference NAD 83 datum. Please note that all coordinate data submitted must conform to DEP’s current policy on accuracy standards (+/- 10 meters).

### **Attachments Checklist**

All applications must be accompanied by a USGS 7½ minute topographic quadrangle map(s) showing the location of each listed well. Driller’s logs and any additional information pertaining to the construction of the well should be provided, if available.

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Workover activities that will be executed prior to commencement of production at each well should be summarized and submitted. For wells that were involved in a hydraulic fracturing communication incident pursuant to 25 Pa. Code Chapters 78 or 78a, §78.73 or §78a.73, such a summary is required.

### **Applicant Signature**

If the well operator is an individual, either doing business in his own name or under a fictitious name (registered or not), he must sign his own name. Individuals in joint ownership must authorize one person to sign on behalf of all; attach the authorizing resolution or power-of-attorney.

An unincorporated business entity using a fictitious (business) name must have the name registered with the Corporation Bureau of the Pennsylvania Department of State. Only an owner or an individual duly authorized by the owners of such a business may sign this permit application.

If the well operator is a partnership, the application must be signed by all partners, or an authorized general partner. Attach the authorizing resolution. Use additional attachments for signatures if needed.

If the well operator is a corporation, the application must be signed by an authorized corporate officer. Attach the authorizing resolution.

A well operator may empower another person, by specific power-of-attorney, to sign permit applications on behalf of the operator. To change this designation, include a new power-of-attorney with the permit application.

Names and titles must be printed or typed next to each signature. Words crossed out, or other corrections, must be initialed and dated by all parties signing this form.

Be advised that a signatory to this form attests to the truthfulness of the information in the application and all supporting documents, and would be subject to penalty for falsification of any information in this application (18 Pa CS §4904).