



air pollution control district
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

FAQ: Rule 208 – Action on Applications – Time Limits
DATE: October 10, 2016
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Deadlines

- Q: *The [Rule 102](#) definition of “Days” is that calendar days are used. It states that if a deadline falls on a weekend or a state or federal holiday that the deadline shall be the next business day. Does this also apply to APCD deadlines listed in Rule 208 (e.g., completeness dates and permit issuance dates)?*
- A: Yes. If the Rule 208 deadline falls on a weekend or state or federal holiday, the next business day becomes the applicable deadline date.

Failure to Respond

- Q: *Section D.4 states that an application (ATC or PTO) shall be denied 120 days after filing if the applicant has not submitted sufficient information to deem the applicant complete. Therefore, if an application is submitted, is then deemed incomplete by the APCD and no response to the incompleteness letter is received, then the application will be denied by the District. Are there any exceptions to this automatic denial?*
- A: Yes. If the applicant requests that the denial be delayed for good cause, then the Control Officer may, in writing, extend the time.

Small Source – Opting Out

- Q: *Small sources can apply for a combined ATC/PTO permit. However, my reading of the rule implies that seeking such a permit is up to the applicant (i.e., it is not mandatory – they can elect not to receive such a combined permit if they so choose). If they choose not to receive a combined ATC/PTO permit, what is the permit processing time limit?*
- A: The timelines for a Medium source would apply.