



SUBJECT: TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 34

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TO: ALL HOLDERS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
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Purpose: To transmit a revised list of Conservation Practice Standards and Specifications and to clarify several changes to practices and practice codes for Pennsylvania.

Filing Instructions: Replace the existing list of conservation practices (practice index) dated May 1996 with attached revised list. File this notice in the front part of section I/II of the PATG and indicate receipt on PATG Change Notice Register found in the same location.

The following changes are effective with this notice:

1. The code I used with the practice codes for interim practices will be dropped. For interim practices the word interim will be placed after the practice name.
2. Contour Buffer Strips will be numbered 332.
3. Stripcropping, field (code 586) is retained nationally and is added to the index as well.
4. Animal Trails and Walkways (code 575), Forage Harvest Management (code 511), Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment (code 548), Waste Stacking and Handling Pad (code 317A), Mortality Composting (code 318), and Wetland Development and Restoration (code 657) have been added to the index. We currently have no standards written for these practices. Questions should be directed to the appropriate specialists until new standards and specifications are distributed. There will be no date in the index until the standards are distributed.
5. Change Waste Transfer (code 358I) to Manure Transfer (code 634). This will make the practice name and code consistent with the national practice.
6. Add practice Windbreak/shelterbelt Establishment (code 380) to the index. This practice combines two practices previously called Farmstead and Feedlot Windbreak (code 380) and Field Windbreak (code 392).
7. Filter Strip (code 393) is currently under revision. When issued, it will be issued as two separate standards which will be Filter Strips and Filter Areas. For consistency with National Codes, these both will be reported as 393. These will each be listed on separate lines on the index, but with the same practice code.

8. Land Reclamation - Shaft & Adit Closing (code 452) is changed to Mine Shaft and Adit Closing (code 457).

9. Well Testing (code 990) and Record Keeping (code 991) have been cancelled.



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