MINNESOTA RULES

7050.0227 SPECIFIC WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR CLASS 7 WATERS OF THE STATE; LIMITED RESOURCE VALUE WATERS.

Subpart 1. **General.** The numeric and narrative water quality standards in this part prescribe the qualities or properties of the waters of the state that have limited resource value designated public uses and benefits. If the standards in this part are exceeded in waters of the state that have the class 7 designation, it is considered indicative of a polluted condition which is actually or potentially deleterious, harmful, detrimental, or injurious with respect to the designated uses.

Subp. 2. Class 7 waters; limited resource value waters. The quality of class 7 waters of the state shall be such as to protect aesthetic qualities, secondary body contact use, and groundwater for use as a potable water supply. Standards for substances, characteristics, or pollutants given below shall not be exceeded in the waters:

Substance, Characteristic, or Pollutant Class 7 Standard

Escherichia (E.) coli	Not to exceed 630 organisms per 100 milliliters as a
	geometric mean of not less than five samples representative
	of conditions within any calendar month, nor shall more
	than ten percent of all samples taken during any calendar
	month individually exceed 1,260 organisms per 100
	milliliters. The standard applies only between May 1 and
	October 31.
Oxygen, dissolved	The level of dissolved oxygen must be maintained at
	concentrations:
	i. that will avoid odors or putrid conditions in the receiving
	water;
	ii. at not less than 1 mg/L (daily average); and
	iii. above 0 mg/L at all times.
pH, minimum value	6.0
pH, maximum value	9.0
Toxic pollutants	Toxic pollutants shall not be allowed in such quantities or concentrations that will impair the specified uses.

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