

Alabama Water and Pollution Control Association

Water Plant Awards Rules and By-Laws

Purpose

The Alabama Water and Pollution Control Association, in its efforts to increase and improve knowledge concerning water treatment, the operation and management of water facilities, to encourage friendly relationships and exchanges of information and experiences among its members, and promoting efficient and effective water supplies for the citizens of the State of Alabama, hereby has formed the Water Plant Awards Committee. The name of the committee shall be called AWPCA Water Plant Awards Committee and the award shall be called the “Best Operated Plant Award”.

Members

The members of this committee must be active members of the AWPCA and in good standing. It shall consist of a Chairperson, Co-Chairperson, and Inspectors. All Inspectors must be Certified Operators.

Duties

The Chairperson position is a two (2) year position beginning as Co-Chairperson. The Co-Chairperson is appointed each year by the Chairperson and President of the AWPCA, and approved by the Executive Board.

Chairperson – Serves as director of the committee and shall preside over all Plant Awards Committee meetings. His/her duties consist of forwarding all committee data to the Co-Chairperson, form a list of inspectors, assign the inspectors assignments, and choose time and place of first committee meeting.

Co-Chairperson – Assist the Chairperson as needed.

Inspectors – Inspect and grade all Plants/Systems assigned. Have all inspections and grade sheets returned to the Chairperson by all deadlines.

Committee – Make all necessary changes to the inspection forms.

Meetings

The committee shall have at least two (2) meetings per year.

The first meeting shall be held no later than May 31st of each year, at which time the final selections from each category will be determined. All selections made at this meeting shall be final. There will be a meal, paid by the AWPCA, for the members of this committee.

The second meeting shall be held at the AWPCA Short Course Conference of each year. At this meeting the committee will discuss and vote on any changes to the inspection forms.

Award Categories

Surface Water: 0-5 MGD, 5.1-10 MGD, 10.1-20 MGD, 20.1-30 MGD, 30.1-40 MGD, 40.1-50 MGD, 50.1-60 MGD , and Greater than 60 MGD

Ground Water: 0-5,000 Pop., 5,001-15,000 Pop., 15,001-25,000 Pop., 25,001-50,000 Pop., 50,001-100,000 Pop., and Greater than 100,000 Pop. Population will be figured on number of meters multiplied by three (3).

Distribution System: 0-5,000 Meters, 5,001-15,000 Meters, 15,001-25,000 Meters, 25,001-50,000 Meters, 50,001-100,000 Meters, and Greater than 100,000 Meters.

Package Plants: All

Plants/Systems in the same category will be inspected by the same inspectors.

Entry Requirements

Plant/System must have been in operation for a minimum of two (2) years prior to entry deadline date.

Plant/System shall have met all ADEM requirements for compliance, per ADEM staff member.

Plant/System must have (a) member/members affiliated with AWPCA.

Plant/System must submit an entry form and a copy of its ADEM Permit before entry deadline.

Award Requirements

The Plant/System in each category that has the highest average score will be awarded the “Best Operated Plant Award”. A Plant/System must have an average score of at least a 90 to be considered for an Award of Excellence. If a category has only one entry, that Plant/System must have an average score of at least a 90 to be awarded the Best Operated Plant.

If a Plant/System is awarded the Best Operated Plant Award for three consecutive years, the Plant/System will be awarded with a special Three Year Award. After winning the Best Operated Plant Award for three consecutive years, the Plant/System must sit out of competition for two years.

