

## eDMR No Discharge Codes & When To Use Them

The following is a list of eDMR codes and their suggested uses. If you have any questions about whether or not the situation you are facing falls into these categories, please consult the Troubleshooting Guide or contact the DEQ.

NoDischarges			
NoDischargeID	NoDischargeCode	NoDischargeMemo	NoDischargeFlag
2	2	Operations Shutdown	N
3	3	Low Level Production	N
4	4	Lagoon Processing	N
5	5	Frozen Conditions	D
8	8	Other (Requires Note)	B
9	9	Monitoring Is Conditional/not Req this Mp	D
13	D	Lost Sample	D
15	F	Insufficient Flow	D
16	G	Sampling Equipment Failure	D
17	H	Invalid Test	D
20	K	Flood Disaster	D
24	O	Too Numerous to Count (TNTC)	D
27	R	Intermittent Flow	D
28	S	Outfall Not Constructed	N
29	T	Does not Contribute	D

### Codes that fall under both No Discharge and Discharge No Analysis Conditions

8. **Other (Requires Note)** – This code should only be used when the situation does not fall under any of the other categories.

### Codes that are to be used in No Discharge Situations

2. **Operations Shutdown** – This is the main code to be used when the outfall is not discharging for the monitoring period.
3. **Low Level Production** – Old EPA Code, **PLEASE DO NOT USE**
4. **Lagoon Processing** – This code is only valid for lagoon treatment systems and should be used to notify the DEQ why a sample was not taken under established DEQ rules.
28. **Outfall Not Constructed** – This code should be used when the outfall has not been constructed.

### Codes that are to be used in Discharge No Analysis Situations

5. **Frozen Conditions** – This code should be used when a sample is not able to be taken because the sampling point is not accessible due to ice.
9. **Monitoring is Conditional/Not required this monitoring period** – This code is rarely used, except in cases where the permit stipulates conditional monitoring. A good example of this is for Wastewater Treatment Facilities with conditional monitoring for Total Residual Chlorides. The other case where this code may be used is when there are two instances of the same parameter during the same time frame. One of the instances (preferably the earlier one) should be coded as Monitoring is

Conditional/Not required this monitoring period, and the other should report the value of the sample, or the applicable No Discharge or Discharge No Analysis ID where appropriate.

13. **Lost Sample** – This code should be used when a sample was taken but not analyzed for some reason. Please include a note that explains why the sample was not analyzed, and plans to prevent the occurrence in the future.
15. **Insufficient Flow** – This code should be used when the flow was less than 150 mL per minute. This is the flow rate decided by the DEQ where a representative sample could be obtained.
16. **Sampling Equipment Failure** – This code should be used in case of a sampling equipment failure. Please include a note that explains why the sample was not analyzed, and plans to prevent the occurrence in the future.
17. **Invalid Test** – This code should be used in the case of the lab running an Invalid Test. Please provide the DEQ with a plan of action to resolve the issue.
20. **Flood Disaster** – This code should be used if there is a flood and a representative sample is not taken. Please make sure the flood is well documented and keep evidence of the situation for your own records.
24. **Too Numerous to Count (TNTC)** – This is how to code a result for Fecal Coliforms. Most likely this is a result of an exceedance. If you are coding this it is suggested that you tell the DEQ the cause and the plan of action to address the issue.
27. **Intermittent Flow** – This is the result of having a flow meter that read flow during the monitoring period, but after a good faith effort of attempting sampling no flow was observed. It is important to document the site visit with dates, times, and photos for your own records.
29. **Does Not Contribute** – This code can only be used for Water Quality Monitoring Stations (WQMS) or any monitoring locations specified by the permit that only require monitoring if effluent water is reaching the location. The proper time to code this is when the outfall is not contributing to flow at the “location”, because some permits will allow the WQMS not to be sampled. Please refer to your permit for further detail.