

Department of Geology & Mineral Industries - Mineral Land Regulation & Reclamation Program

Mining Permit & Status Code Reference

Permit Code	Description	5,000CY &/or 1-acre Limit per 12-month Period	NO Extraction Limit	Reclamation Plan Required	Reclamation Security Required
COX	County Exempt (County owned and/or administered)		✓		
ECA	Exclusion Certificate - Aggregate	✓			
ECG	Exclusion Certificate - Government	✓			
LEP	Grant of Limited Exemption (Mined before 1972)		✓		
LEV	Grant of Limited Exemption (Mined before 1981)		✓		
LEG	Grant of Limited Exemption - Government		✓		
OPA	Operating Permit - Aggregate		✓	✓	✓
OPA-LEP	Operating Permit - Aggregate w/Limited Exemption Acres		✓	✓	✓
OPG	Operating Permit - Government		✓	✓	
OPG-LEG	Operating Permit - Government w/Limited Exemption Acres		✓	✓	
OPM	Operating Permit - Metals		✓	✓	✓
OPP	Operating Permit - Placer		✓	✓	✓
XPA	Exploration Permit - Aggregate	✓		✓	✓
XPG	Exploration Permit - Government	✓		✓	
XPM	Exploration Permit - Metals	✓		✓	✓
XPP	Exploration Permit - Placer	✓		✓	✓
GTE	Grant of Total Exemption	✓	As of January 1, 2016 voluntary Grants of Total Exemption have been replaced with Exclusion Certificates. See ORS 517.753 for more info.		
TEG	Grant of Total Exemption - Government	✓			
VPA	Vegetation Permit - Aggregate	Vegetation permits were previously issued for sites nearing the completion of reclamation, with the exception of establishment of vegetation. In 2015, legal review determined vegetation permits were not supported in statute or rule, and are no longer issued.			
VPG	Vegetation Permit - Government				
VPM	Vegetation Permit - Metals				
VPP	Vegetation Permit - Placer				

Status Code	Definition
Amendment	Existing Operating Permit applying for a modification
Bond Demanded	Permit is in violation of Oregon law - reclamation security has been demanded with the intent to reclaim the site
Bond Received	Permit is in violation of Oregon law - reclamation security has been collected and site is waiting to be reclaimed
Closed	Certificate, Exemption, or Permit file has been closed
Exempt	Status exclusive to County Exempt sites
Exception	Existing status codes do not apply to file or site
New	Certificate, Exemption, or Permit has been applied for and has not yet been approved
Permitted	Certificate, Exemption, or Permit has been approved and issued - does not necessarily indicate site is active