

REQUIREMENTS OF ACT 21 (S.49) FOR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS

1. Interim standard of 20 ppt (20 nanograms per liter, or ng/l). Testing of all communities and NTNCs by December 1, 2019.
2. If 20 ng/l exceeded during interim monitoring, system must remedy (e.g. new source(s) or treatment) and must issue a Do Not Drink public notice until resolved.
3. ANR must establish an MCL in the Water Supply Rule by February 1, 2020.
4. Adjustments to 20 ng/l interim standard can be made for the MCL (EPA develops MCLs that consider cost and technical feasibility criteria, and Act 21 allows those considerations.)
5. ANR is required to publish an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for PFAS as a class by 8/1/2020.
6. ANR is required to file a proposed rule to regulate or not regulate PFAS as a class by March 1, 2021, with consideration of the legal, technical, and other impediments.
7. ANR must perform a pilot study at a public water system using TOP assay or other method to identify total PFAS, by July 1, 2019.
8. ANR is required to publish a plan for public comment to collect data for contaminants in drinking water from community and NTNCs, for which a health advisory has been established, where no MCL has been adopted.