

Listening Session on
Violations Scoring Procedure Regulation Changes
will be held September 21, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Public Comment Period - September 21 through October 29, 2021

In 2019, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) implemented the Violations Scoring Procedure (VSP) regulations. These new regulations strengthened the protectiveness of the Department's permitting decisions using several of SB 673's suggested criteria, such as stronger financial assurance requirements and a more transparent and accountable consideration of facility compliance history. Since implementation of the VSP, DTSC has identified the need for additional clarification in regulation language, reevaluation of the time needed to complete requirements, and other potential changes to the regulations. Suggested/proposed changes include the definition of an inspection, the number of years of violations history to consider in the score, the frequency of the scoring and tier assignment, use of a divisor in the scoring, the definition of inspection violations scores and other various changes and clarifications.

DTSC invites you to a virtual (Zoom) listening session on proposed VSP regulation changes that DTSC is considering. The purpose of this listening session is to listen to the public about improvements that can be made to the regulations. DTSC will provide an overview of the regulatory sections being considered for change, provide an opportunity for the public to ask questions about the regulations, and listen to regulatory change suggestions from the public during this listening session.

Information about the listening session

The listening session will be held via Zoom on September 21, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **Spanish-language interpretation will be available during this session.** The

agenda, remote access registration information, and session materials will be provided on the [SB 673 Permit Criteria –Community Protections webpage](#) prior to the meeting date.

Date: September 21, 2021
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Remote Access (Zoom)

Register

Written Comment Period

The written comment period to submit suggested changes to the VSP regulations is September 21 through October 29, 2021.

DTSC is accepting public comments via email to Gary.Hammond@dtsc.ca.gov. DTSC will consider all comments but will not provide written responses.

Contact

For further information regarding the content of the session agenda, please contact DTSC's project manager Gary Hammond at Gary.Hammond@dtsc.ca.gov.

If you require a special accommodation or need this document in an alternate format or language, please contact Asha Setty at Asha.Setty@dtsc.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than 10 business days before the session.

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