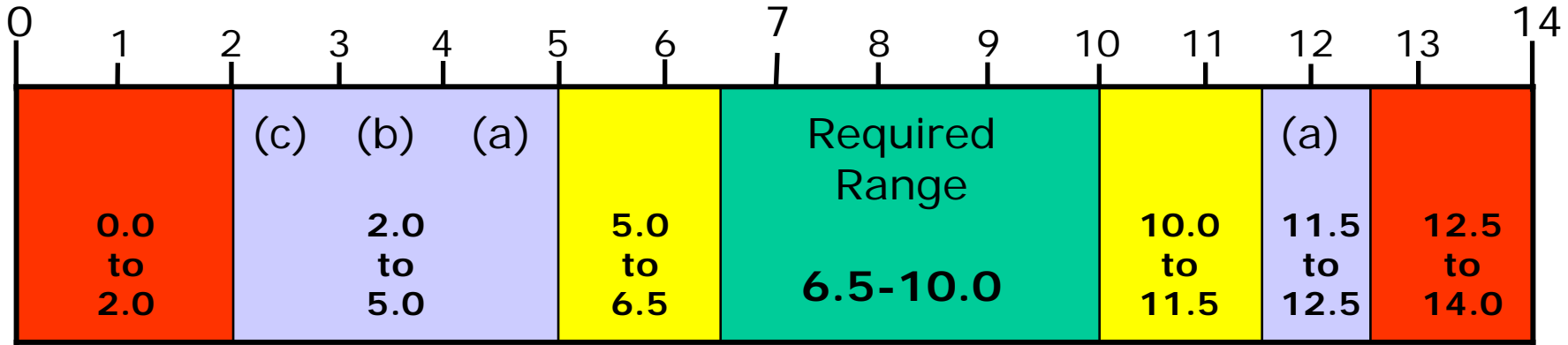


City of Salem pH Enforcement Policy

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(5.0-6.5) Limited Excursions See Note 1	(10.0-11.5)
(2.0-5.0) Specific Prohibitions See Note 2	(11.5-12.5)
(0.0-2.0) Hazardous Material See Note 3	(12.5-14.0)

All excursions outside of the Required Range MUST be reported to PW Dispatch at 503-588-6333

Note 1: Excursions over 15 minutes will receive a field Notice of Violation (NOV). A second excursion over 15 minutes on the same calendar day will receive a formal NOV. A single excursion over 1 hour in a day will receive a formal NOV. Excursions totaling over 7 hours and 26 minutes in a month will receive a legal citation and/or Administrative Order (AO). A finding of Significant Non-Compliance (SNC) will occur when two or more months out of a rolling 6 month period exceed the 7 hours and 26 minutes limit.

Note 2: (a) pH discharge >11.5 but <12.5, and a pH discharge <5 but >4 and ≤ 1 hour, formal NOV and/or legal citation. If >1 hour, legal citation and/or immediate cease and desist and/or civil penalties. SNC will occur with a combined total of 8 hours or more in (a)(b) and (c) in any 6 month period.

(b) pH discharge <4 but >3, and ≤30 minutes, formal NOV, citation and/or civil penalty. If >30 minutes, immediate cease and desist, citation, and/or civil penalty. SNC will occur with a combined total time of 4 hours or more in (b) and (c) in any 6 month period.

(c) pH discharge >2 but ≤3, and ≤15 minutes, citation, and/or AO, and/or civil penalty. If >15 minutes, immediate cease and desist, citation and/or AO, and/or civil penalty. SNC will occur with a total time of 2 hours or more in (c) in any 6 month period.

Note 3: pH discharge ≤2, or ≥12.5, meets the definition of a Hazardous Waste. Immediate cease and desist, citation, and/or AO, and automatic SNC/civil penalty.