

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §22-18-15

§22-18-15. Enforcement orders; hearings.

(a) If the director, upon inspection, investigation or through other means observes, discovers or learns of a violation of the provisions of this article, any permit, order or rules issued or promulgated hereunder, he or she may:

(1) Issue an order stating with reasonable specificity the nature of the violation and requiring compliance immediately or within a specified time. An order under this section includes, but is not limited to, any or all of the following: Orders suspending, revoking or modifying permits, orders requiring a person to take remedial action or cease and desist orders;

(2) Seek an injunction in accordance with subsection (c) of section seventeen of this article;

(3) Institute a civil action in accordance with subsection (c) of section seventeen of this article; or

(4) Request the Attorney General, or the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the alleged violation occurred, to bring a criminal action in accordance with section sixteen of this article.

(b) Any person issued a cease and desist order may file a notice of request for reconsideration with the director not more than seven days from the issuance of such order and shall have a hearing before the director contesting the terms and conditions of such order within ten days of the filing of such notice of a request for reconsideration. The filing of a notice of request for reconsideration does not stay or suspend the execution or enforcement of such cease and desist order.