



Attention county and municipal officials:

Please note that amendments to the Commission's regulations are scheduled to take effect as early as January 5, 2026. You can view them here:

www.nj.gov/pinelands/cmp/amend/.

Once these amendments take effect, Certificates of Filing (CFs) will expire as follows:

CFs issued prior to January 1, 2004	Expire without exception
CFs issued between January 1, 2004 and prior to December 31, 2020:	Expire on the effective date of the CMP amendments Except where the Commission has issued a letter (sample attached) indicating that a municipal or county permit or approval may take effect prior to the CF expiration date
CFs issued on or after January 1, 2021	Expire five years after the date of issuance Except where the Commission has issued a letter (sample attached) indicating that a municipal or county permit or approval may take effect prior to the CF expiration date

What does this mean once the amendments take effect?

Do not issue permits or approvals on expired CFs.

- **All CFs issued prior to January 1, 2004 expired.**
A new application must be completed with the Commission to obtain a new CF prior to applying for county and municipal permits and approvals.
- **All CFs issued on or after January 1, 2004 will expire as detailed above.**

One Exception: These CFs do not expire if a Commission letter ([sample attached](#)) is presented to you indicating that a municipal or county permit or approval can take effect prior to the CF expiration date. Once expired, a new application must be completed with the Commission to obtain a new CF prior to applying for county and municipal permits and approvals.

Questions?

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