

CONFIDENTIALITY RULES

STATE	CONFIDENTIALITY PERIOD	RULE
BLM	1 YEAR + 1 YEAR OPTIONAL	<p><u>RULE 43 - CFR Part 2 (3162.8)</u></p> <p>(a) trade secrets and commercial and financial information that is privileged or confidential or other information that may be withheld under the Freedom of Information Act, such as geological or geophysical data and maps shall not be available for public inspection or made public or disclosed without the consent of the operator for a period of 12-months with a possibility of an additional 12-month period. But upon termination of the lease, such information shall be made available to the public.</p> <p>(b) geological, geophysical or financial information which is not required under the regulations but submitted by the operator to the Authorized Officer is held confidential and not released without the consent of the operator.</p> <p>(c) the regulations set out the circumstances when trade secrets, proprietary and other confidential information shall be made available to states and Indian tribes upon request for purposes of conducting an investigation.</p>
COLORADO	6 MONTHS	<p><u>RULE 308 - COGCC Form 5 - Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log</u></p> <p>Upon written request by the operator, completion reports and mechanical logs of exploratory or wildcat wells marked "confidential" by the Director, shall be kept confidential for six (6 months) after the date of completion, unless the operator gives written permission to release such logs at an earlier date.</p>
LOUISIANA	1 YEAR + 1 TO 4 YEARS DEPENDING ON WELL DEPTH	<p><u>ACT 4 of the Extraordinary Session of 1973</u></p> <p>Wells shallower than 15,000 feet--one year with a one-year extension; wells deeper than 15,000 feet--two years with a two-year extension;</p> <p><u>ACT 691 of the Regular Session of the 1979</u></p> <p>Offshore logs, upon written request--two year with a two-year extension.</p>
MONTANA	6 MONTHS	<p><u>RULE 36.22.1011 - Well Completion And Recompletion Reports</u></p> <p>(1) Within thirty (30) days after the completion of a well drilled for oil or gas (except a wildcat or exploratory well), a completion report shall be filed with the board on Form No. 4.</p> <p>(2) Within thirty (30) days after the completion of any repair, deepening, reconditioning, reperforating, or recompletion, a detailed report of work done and results obtained shall be filed with the board on Form No. 2.</p>

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MONTANA (Cont.)	6 MONTHS	<p><u>RULE 36.22.1013 - Filing of Completion Reports, Well Logs, Analysis, Reports, and Surveys</u></p> <p>(1) The owner or operator must run an electrical, radioactivity, or similar petrophysical log or combination of logs sufficient to determine formation tops from total depth to the base of the surface casing unless waived by the board administrator.</p> <p>(2) Within 30 days after the completion, reworking, or abandonment of any well drilled to known productive horizons within a delineated field, the operator or owner must transmit to the board three copies of Form 4, four copies of Form 2, and two copies of all well logs; drill stem test survey reports; sample and core description logs, analysis, reports, water analysis; and all other logs, surveys, and reports run or made.</p> <p>(3) In the case of wildcat or exploratory well, the owner or operator must transmit to the board within 6 months after completion or abandonment three copies of Form 4, four copies of Form 2 and two copies of all logs, surveys, reports, and analysis run or made as described in subsection (2). In the case of a stratigraphic well, said information must be sent to the board within three years from the date of completion.</p>
NORTH DAKOTA	6 MONTHS	<p><u>RULE 43-02-03-31 - Well Log, Completion, and Workover Reports</u></p> <p>All information furnished to the director shall be kept confidential for not more than six months if requested by the operator in writing. The six-month period must commence on the date the well is completed or the date the written request is received, whichever is earlier. If the written request accompanies the application for permit to drill or is filed after permitting but prior to spudding, the six-month period will commence on the date the well is spudded.</p>
OKLAHOMA	1 YEAR + 6 MONTHS IF REQUESTED	<p><u>RULE 165:10-1-7 - Prescribed Forms Form 1002B - Confidential Filing of Electric Logs</u></p> <p>Operator shall file Form 1002B within sixty (60) days of the running of the last formation evaluation type wire line log to hold logs confidential for one year period. Optional extension for six months may be requested by operator in writing to the Technical Department of the Conservation Division. [Reference 165L 10-3-26]</p>

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SOUTH DAKOTA	6 MONTHS	<p><u>RULE 74:10:03:25 - Well Logs, Completion/Recompletion Reports, and Sundry Notice Reports to be Filed with Secretary</u></p> <p>The electrical, geophysical, and sample descriptive logs, drill-stem test reports, core analysis and reports, water analysis, and any other important geologic and engineering data on such wells must be forwarded to the secretary. All reports and well logs are confidential for six months when so requested by the operator in writing.</p>
TEXAS	1 YEAR + 2 YEAR + (4 YEAR OFFSHORE)	<p><u>§ 3.16. RULE 16. Log and Completion or Plugging Report.</u></p> <p>(b) Each log filed with the Commission shall be considered public information and shall be available to the public during normal business hours. If the owner or operator of such well described in subsection (a) of this section desires log(s) to be confidential, the owner or operator must submit a written request for a delayed filing of the log(s). When filing such a request, the owner or operator must retain the log(s) and may delay filing such log(s) for one year beginning from the date the completion or plugging report is required to be filed with the Commission. The owner or operator of such well may request an additional filing delay of two years, provided the written request is filed prior to the expiration date of the initial confidentiality period. If a well is drilled on land submerged in state water, the owner or operator may request an additional filing delay of two years so that a possible total filing delay of five years may be obtained. A request for the additional two year filing delay period must be in writing and be received prior to the expiration of the first two year filing delay. Logs must be filed with the Commission within 30 days after the expiration of the final confidentiality period.</p>
UTAH	1 YEAR	<p><u>RULE 649-2-11 - Confidentiality of Well Log Information</u></p> <p>(1) Well logs marked confidential shall be kept confidential for one year after the date on which the log is required to be filed with the division, unless the operator gives written permission to release the log at an earlier date.</p> <p>(2) Information on a newly permitted well will be held confidential only upon receipt by the division of a written request from the owner or operator.</p>

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WYOMING	6 MONTHS	<p>RULE 321 - Filing Of Well Logs</p> <p>Within thirty (30) days after logs are run on any well or within thirty (30) days after the completion of any further operation on it, if such operations involve drilling deeper or redrilling any formation, the owner shall submit to the Supervisor two (2) copies of the well log on the form prescribed by the Commission as well as two (2) copies of the electrical, radioactive, or other similar conventional logs run. If requested by the owner, the Supervisor may grant an extension to the thirty (30) day reporting period for any well.</p> <p>All information furnished to the Supervisor hereunder with respect to exploratory wells marked confidential shall be kept confidential for six (6) months after the date said information is required to be filed hereunder, unless the owner give written permission to release such information at an earlier date.</p>