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A good summary of the WA standards can be found at <http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/ts/WW/registered-list.pdf>

Look at page 5-6 for a summary of standards.

Look at p 22-23 for listing of products and their categories. You should know that there is no market in Washington for the TLC category, or you would see more products listed under that category.

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Here is more information that you may be interested in looking at.

The Washington program was so successful that the State of Minnesota used it for establishing their program of advanced secondary treatment. This is a new program that is currently evaluating technologies through their Advisory Committee. The web link of the program is: <https://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/rules/?id=7083>. The details of the program can be found on this web link in Sections 7083.4000 to 7083.4120. The contact person for this program is Barbara McCarthy and she can be reached at 218-723-4710 and [Barbara.Mccarthy@state.mn.us](mailto:Barbara.Mccarthy@state.mn.us).

Both the Washington and the Minnesota programs rely on a thorough evaluation of the proprietary treatment product prior to the listing of the product for use in their advanced secondary treatment program. Another approach is for the State to provide a program that continuously monitors the performance of proprietary treatment products by requiring field testing of all installations. Such a program was developed in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This program can be found at the following web link: <http://www.mass.gov/dep/service/regulations/310cmr15.pdf>. The section on alternative systems starts in Section 15.280. The vast amount of field test data that is derived from this program is what allowed for the data analysis in the NEIWPC report that is cited in the latest draft of GMP 147. By collecting all of the field data on the propitiatory treatment products the MADEP has a good feel for the performance of the technology. The contact person for this program is Dave Ferris and he can be reached at 617-654-6541 or [David.Ferris@state.ma.us](mailto:David.Ferris@state.ma.us).

Another state program that is similar to Massachusetts is Idaho. Idaho, like Massachusetts, requires continuing field testing of all installations to assure that they are in compliance. The web link for their program is: [http://www.deq.state.id.us/water/assist\\_business/septic/sewage\\_systems\\_tech\\_guide\\_full.pdf](http://www.deq.state.id.us/water/assist_business/septic/sewage_systems_tech_guide_full.pdf)