

Users are advised to consult the Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines introductory text, factsheet, and/or protocols for specific information and implementation guidance pertaining to each environmental quality guideline.

Turbidity

Parameter 1: PHYSICAL Parameter 2: Turbidity, clarity and suspended solids Parameter 3: Total particulate matter

Water Quality for the Protection of Aquatic Life

Freshwater

Concentration (µg/L)	Narrative
2. Turbidity	
clear flow	
Maximum increase of 8 NTUs from background levels for a short-term exposure (e.g., 24-h period). Maximum average increase of 2 NTUs from background levels for a longer term exposure (e.g., 30-d period).	
high flow or turbid waters Maximum increase of 8 NTUs from background levels at any one time when background levels are between 8 and 80 NTUs. Should not increase more than 10% of background levels when background is > 80 NTUs.	
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Marine	
Concentration (µg/L)	Narrative
2.Turbidity	
clear flow	
Maximum increase of 8 NTUs from background levels for a short-term exposure (e.g., 24-h	
period). Maximum average increase of 2 NTUs from background levels for a longer term	

exposure (e.g., 30-d period).

high flow or turbid waters

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Date

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Water Quality for the Protection of Agriculture

Irrigation	
Concentration (µg/L)	No data
Date	No data
Livestock	
Concentration (µg/L)	No data
Date	No data
Sediment Quality for the Protection of Aquatic Life	
Freshwater	
Concentration (µg/kg dry weight) - ISQG	No data
Concentration (µg/kg dry weight) - PEL	No data
Date	No data
Marine	
Concentration (µg/kg dry weight) - ISQG	No data
Concentration (µg/kg dry weight) - PEL	No data
Date	No data
Soil Quality for the Protection of Environmental and Human Health	
Concentration (mg/kg dry weight) - Agricultural	No data
Concentration (mg/kg dry weight) - Residential / parkland	No data
Concentration (mg/kg dry weight) - Commercial	No data
Concentration (mg/kg dry weight) - Industrial	No data
Date	No data
Tissue Residue Quality for the Protection of Widlife Consumer of Aquatic Biota	
Concentration (µg/kg diet wet weight)	No data
Date	No data