

CHAPTER 63
ABANDONED WELLS

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63.01 PURPOSE. The purpose of this chapter is to protect groundwater resources by promoting, enforcing, and overseeing the proper plugging of abandoned wells.

63.02 APPLICABILITY. The provisions contained herein apply to all abandoned wells in the County, including the incorporated areas. An abandoned well is any well that is no longer in use or which is in such a state of disrepair that continued use for the purpose of accessing water is unsafe or impractical.

63.03 ADOPTION OF STATE CODE. Pursuant to Chapter 137 of the Code of Iowa, the Board of Health adopts, in its entirety, by reference, the following Iowa Administrative Code chapter: 567 IAC 39 - Requirements for Properly Plugging Abandoned Wells.

63.04 DESIGNATED AGENCY. Pursuant to Chapter 137 of the Code of Iowa, the County Environmental Health Department (EH) is the designated agency to interpret, monitor, and enforce the rules contained in this chapter.