

## Enforcement and Compliance

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Enforcement and compliance are an important part of the Corps Regulatory Program. Performing work in waters of the United States without authorization by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), or failure to comply with the terms and conditions of a valid permit, can have serious consequences. Unauthorized work, subject to Corps enforcement, occurs when work is performed in Corps jurisdiction without a Corps permit. Work can include placing fill in wetlands or other waters of the U.S. Work can also include, but is not limited to, dredging or construction of a structure (i.e. pier, bulkhead, etc.) in navigable waters. The penalties for violating the laws can include administrative, civil, and criminal proceedings. Resolution of violations can range from after-the-fact permitting to mitigation/restoration, penalties and/or incarceration.

- [Enforcement Overview](#)
- [Enforcement Regulations](#)
- [Memorandum of Agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency](#)
- [Reporting an Alleged Violation](#)

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