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Mobile District Safety and Occupational Health Office
Wet Locations – Sump Pumps

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The 15 September 2008 Safety Manual (Yellow Book) is now in effect for most new contracts and government operations. Please note the changes for sump pumps as stated below.

11.E.04 Wet Locations.

a. USACE personnel and contractors are prohibited from placing electric sump pumps into USACE project bodies of water (lakes, etc.) to support periodic maintenance and/or construction activities. These pumps are not designed to be submerged in locations where people could be present in the water (i.e., recreating, swimming, wading, etc.) and doing so can create an electrical hazard that could result in serious injury or electrocution.

