

**Texas Methane and Flaring Coalition  
Proposed Flaring Matrix**

<b>Reason for Flaring</b>	<b>Rule Authorized Duration</b> <small>*Does not include rule authorized 15 MCFD Gas Well or 50 MCFD Oil Lease</small>	<b>Proposals to Reduce Flaring</b>
No pipeline (lack of infrastructure)	10 days after initial completion	<b>Options available to Operators:</b> 1. An additional 90 days (admin) then go to hearing if more time is needed 2. Flare up to 5 days per month (admin) over a 180 day period then go to hearing if more time is needed 3. One time administrative approval for 180 days, if gas volume flared is reduced via application of a flare reduction technology. At permit expiration, operator must submit SWR 32 Subsequent Report within 60 days that includes detailed technical report on the reduction obtained by use of the alternative technology. If more time is needed, go to hearing Alternative technology examples: <a href="#">Texas Methane &amp; Flaring Coalition Emerging Oil &amp; Natural Gas Technologies</a> 4. Step-out (drilling in undeveloped areas): a. lack of infrastructure for the quality of gas; or b. 2-1/2 miles radius review for pipeline availability; 90 day renewable administrative extensions available for a maximum of 180 days then go to hearing if more time is needed
Insufficient Gas Gathering Capacity (new completion & existing producing well)	10 days after initial completion 24 hours for existing	After initial 10 days allowed for initial completion or 24 hours for existing producing well, request administrative exception as required per SWR 32 up to 180 days or request a hearing to cover period of more than 180 days or for request that covers multiple flare events.
System Upset (Operator)	24 hours	After 24 hours, request exception as per SWR 32
System Upset (3rd party)	24 hours	After 24 hours, request exception as per SWR 32
Scheduled Maintenance (Operator or 3rd party)	24 hours	After 24 hours, request exception as per SWR 32
Non-Scheduled Maintenance	24 hours	After 24 hours, request exception as per SWR 32
Clean-up/Test Well	24 hours per event or 72 hours per calendar month	After 24 hours per event or 72 hours per calendar month, request exception as per SWR 32
Other	24 hours	After 24 hours, request exception as per SWR 32
Gas plant, gas gathering and compressor facilities	24 hours	After 24 hours, request exception as per SWR 32