subsection (e)(2) even if the owner or operator has not waived automatic coverage. The director may impose conditions in a notice of general permit coverage or add conditions to an issued notice of general permit coverage to ensure that the activity or discharge(s) complies with the terms and conditions of the general permit and to ensure that state water quality standards will not be violated.

(c) A notice of general permit coverage may limit coverage under the general permit to a term of less than five years.

(d) The director may administratively extend a notice of general permit coverage upon receipt of a notice of intent for renewal of a notice of general permit coverage before the expiration of the general permit or the term of the notice of general permit coverage, whichever occurs first. The permittee who submits a notice of intent for renewal of the notice of general permit coverage shall be treated as an owner or operator applying for permit renewal under section 342D-6(h), HRS.

(e) Authorization to discharge under the general permit is effective upon the earlier of:

(1) Notification by the director of general permit coverage under subsection (b); or

(2) The thirtieth day after receipt at the clean water branch of the department of a complete notice of intent for a new notice of general permit coverage and the applicable filing fee, unless before the thirtieth day the director notifies the owner or its duly authorized representative that the notice of intent is incomplete. This paragraph does not apply to a notice of intent for renewal of a notice of general permit coverage.

(f) A person claiming coverage in writing under the automatic provision of subsection (e)(2), instead of under an issued notice of general permit coverage under subsections (a) through (d), assumes the risks that: