



GOVERNMENT OF
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

*Storage and Handling of Gasoline and
Associated Products Regulations, 2003*



REGISTRATION
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On May 21, 2004 the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador put into effect a requirement that all* petroleum storage tank systems be registered. This includes:

- systems which have been installed and do not have a certificate of approval;
- systems which have been installed and have a certificate of approval; and
- systems which are to be installed.

Storage tank systems which were constructed, installed, altered or operated prior to May 21, 2004 are required to be registered by November 30, 2004. If such systems are not registered they are not permitted to be operated or filled after that date until the storage tank system is registered. The regulations also require that new storage tank systems be registered prior to the construction, installation, alteration or operation of the system. Again, such systems are not permitted to be filled unless they are registered. These requirements may be found in sections 13 and 18.1 of the regulations. The regulations may be found at the following internet address: "www.gov.nl.ca/env/psm" or you may contact the Queen's Printer (729-3649 or queensprinter@gov.nl.ca) for an official copy.

One form has to be completed for each storage tank, and its associated piping, that you own and completed applications shall be submitted to your regional office of the Government Service Centre. Subsequent to your storage tank system being registered, you will receive a Registration Number for each of your storage tank systems. Storage tank systems shall be suitably identified with the applicable Registration Number or a copy of the Registration Document shall be suitably displayed so that an oil delivery driver, or government inspector, can readily identify the registration of your storage tank systems.

Why is this now being required?

In May 2002 the Environmental Protection Act came into force. This Act caused all approvals to expire in May 2004. As a result, the approval process was examined and it was decided, for petroleum storage, that approvals would no longer be issued. Instead a registration of the system would be required. This was done, in part, such that a complete listing of storage tanks in the Province could be generated. This will also assist with spill investigations, government inspections and any decisions with respect to construction, installation and removal requirements for storage tank systems.

Important Notes

- An application shall be filed prior to the construction or alteration of a storage tank system.
- An engineering drawing or neat sketch of the proposed/actual installation, showing tank(s) and piping location, distances to adjacent roads, homes, buildings and water bodies, and corrosion protection equipment or dykes, shall be included where this information has not already been provided or is not on file.
- The installer shall have a copy of the tank construction standard and any manufacturers instructions before proceeding with the installation.

- A new or altered system shall not be put into operation, or backfilled for an underground system, before being inspected by an official of this Department. This can be arranged by calling your local GSC and giving a minimum advance notice of five working days.
- If there is a change in ownership, the new owner is required to complete a new application.
- Aboveground storage tanks shall be surrounded by a dyke. Prior to the operation of a storage tank its dyke shall meet the permeability outlined in the regulations.

* These requirements are not for storage tanks which contain used oil or storage tanks which have a capacity of 2500 litres or less and contain heating oil.

Information and Contacts

For further information on the Storage and Handling of Gasoline and Associated Products Regulations, 2003 please contact your local Government Service Centre office at one of the following locations:

St. John's	(709) 729-2550
Clarenville	(709) 466-4060
Gander	(709) 256-1420
Grand Falls-Windsor	(709) 292-4206
Corner Brook	(709) 637-2680
Happy Valley-Goose Bay	(709) 896-2661

This Brochure and the Application for Registration may be found at the following internet address: "www.gov.nl.ca/env/psm".

A leak or spill from a petroleum storage tank must be reported immediately by calling

**toll-free
1-800-563-9089**

**St. John's area call
772-2083**