

Division of Underground Storage Tanks







Tennessee Tank Talk

2021 NEW RULE REFRESHER

Monthly and Annual Walkthrough Inspections







Every 30 days

Spill Prevention Equipment:

- Visually check for damage ensure no holes, cracks, damaged seals and/or drain plugs
- Remove liquid or debris ensure no standing water and/or product and no debris
- Check for and remove obstructions in the fill pipe / drop tube
- · Check the fill cap to make sure it is securely on the fill pipe
 - Ensure the fill cap does not touch the spill bucket lid
- Double-walled spill prevention equipment with interstitial monitoring
 - · Check for leaks in the interstitial area

Release Detection Equipment:

- Check to make sure the release detection equipment is operating with no alarms or other unusual operating conditions
 present
 - All alarms must be addressed and documented and all suspected releases must be reported to the Division within
 72 hours
- Ensure that records of release detection testing are reviewed and current
 - Documentation of monthly monitoring release detection (Interstitial Monitoring (IM), Automatic Tank Gauge (ATG),
 Statistical Inventory Reconciliation (SIR), Manual Tank Gauge (MTG) is accurate and maintained

Monthly Walkthrough Record Keeping Requirements:

- Monthly walkthrough inspection records shall be maintained for twelve months
- The Monthly/Annual Facility Walkthrough Inspection Form can be found here.

Annual Walkthrough Inspection Requirements

Every 12 months

Containment Sumps:

- Visually check for damage, leaks to the containment area, or releases to the environment.
- Remove all liquid and debris from containment sump areas and document the action required on the form
- For double walled sumps with interstitial monitoring, check for leaks in the interstitial area

Handheld Release Detection Equipment:

- Check devices such as tank gauging sticks or groundwater bailers for operability and serviceability
 - If conducting monthly release detection with SIR or MTG using a tank gauging stick, verify the equipment is operable and serviceable and document on the form.

Annual Walkthrough Record Keeping Requirements:

- Annual walkthrough inspection records shall be maintained for one year
- Annual walkthrough inspection records must include a list of each area checked, whether each area checked was
 acceptable or needed action taken, a description of actions taken to correct an issue
- The Monthly/Annual Facility Walkthrough Inspection Form can be found here.

New Rules Resources

Division Updates and Outreach

Current Tennessee UST Rules

2018 Federal Rule Change Quick Reference Guide

Additional Resources

Standardized Inspection Manual (SIM)

UST Contact Information

Contact Your Local Field Office

UST Forms and Guidance

EPA -Must For USTs

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