



Operator Training Grant Guidelines

What is Required?

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[The Requirements]

- All operators in each class (class A, B, and C) must be trained.
- Operators of all UST systems regulated under Subtitle I, except those excluded and deferred by Federal UST regulations must be trained.

The Requirements (Continued)

- Each UST or group of USTs at a facility must have a class A, B, and C operator designated.
- Establish a procedure by which individuals who must be trained are identified.

The Requirements (Continued)

- Have state-specific operator training requirements consistent with EPA's guidelines.
- Require that all existing class A, B, and C operators are trained by August 8, 2012.

The Requirements (Continued)

- Require that new operators be trained as follows:
 - Class A & B – within 30-days of hire (or another reasonable period specified by the state).
 - Class C – prior to assuming responsibility for responding to emergencies.

The Requirements (Continued)

- Have a system to ensure that all operators are trained.
- Training must evaluate operator knowledge of the minimum training required for each Class of operator.

The Requirements (Continued)

- Require class A and/or class B operator(s) to be retrained in the event of noncompliance in those areas determined not in significant operational compliance.

[State-specific Requirements]

- State must have comparable enforcement authorities for its operator training requirements as it has for current underground storage tank requirements.
- Submit a certification to EPA that all requirements have been met or provide documentation describing efforts to meet the requirements.