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**Storage Tank Program**

<http://ehs.psu.edu/storage-tank-management/overview>

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**Who does this program apply to?**

* University employees who design, install, or are responsible for a storage tank.
* A storage tank is defined as a mobile or fixed unit of 55-gallons or more that holds petroleum products, oils, chemicals, etc. Drums are not considered to be storage tanks.

**What are the key requirements of this program?**

* All requests for storage tanks must be approved by EHS.
* All storage tank designs must be approved by EHS prior to installation.
* All storage tanks must be included in a spill plan (required by regulations) for the facility. These plans are developed in conjunction with EHS.
* Supervisors must:
* Provide a spill kit, fire extinguisher, and first aid kit at every tank location.
* Identify individuals that need to be trained and ensure they are trained.
* Ensure that spills, leaks, and releases are reported to EHS.
* Ensure that tanks are inspected in accordance with the spill plan.
* Employees must:
* Immediately address spills, leaks, and releases.
  + Training requirements:
    - Ensure that personnel receive [training](http://www.ehs.psu.edu/training/index.cfm) annually in accordance with the facility’s spill plan.
* Self-inspection requirements:
  + - Inspect the tanks monthly.
* Regularly scheduled program components:
  + - Review the spill plan annually. Send updates to EHS.
* Recordkeeping requirements:
  + - Maintain tank inspection and training records for 3 years.
    - If the tank is a PADEP regulated storage tank, keep the current registration certificate on-site.
    - Maintain tank maintenance records for the life of the tank.
    - Keep the tank removal records forever.

**For additional information:**

* PA Department of Environmental Protection Storage Tank Program

<http://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Land/Tanks/Pages/default.aspx#.VkDnQEarNUQUS>

* EPA Oil Spill Program

<http://www.epa.gov/oilspill/index.html>