

# DO THE REGULATIONS APPLY TO YOU?

The Storage Tank Systems for
Petroleum Products and Allied
Petroleum Products Regulations
include mandatory requirements
for storage tank systems under
federal jurisdiction, including those
storing petroleum products or allied
petroleum products located on
federal or Aboriginal lands. This fact
sheet will help you determine if the
regulations apply to you.



## **Tank Tip 2**

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Does your storage tank system fall under federal jurisdiction?

The regulations apply to storage tank systems:

- located on federal or Aboriginal land including systems operated by band councils or owned by private businesses (such as lodges or marinas) on Aboriginal land;
- operated by private companies located in federal parks or on federal land;
- operated anywhere in Canada by a federal department, board or agency, or owned by the Crown (regardless of whether these systems are on federal/ Aboriginal land or not);
- owned or operated by a federal work or undertaking, including a railway, a port authority on the schedule of the *Canada Marine Act*, or an airport within the meaning of the *Aeronautics Act*.

## Are the products stored in the tanks covered by the regulations?

The regulations cover storage tank systems containing petroleum products such as gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, and home heating oil, and allied petroleum products such as biodiesel, isopropanol, uninhibited ethylene glycol and E85 fuel. A complete list of allied petroleum products can be found in Schedule 1 of the regulations. The regulations do not apply to unprocessed petroleum products.



#### Is your type of tank system covered by the regulations?

Environment and Climate Change Canada's regulations apply to storage tanks that have a capacity of more than 230 litres and are designed to be installed in a fixed location.

The following storage tank systems DO NOT fall under the regulations:

- storage containers with a capacity of less than 230 litres
- indoor storage tanks where the building supplies the required level of secondary containment [see paragraph 2(2)(a) of the regulations]
- pressurized tanks (e.g., for propane)

- aboveground tanks that have a total combined capacity of 2500 litres or less and are connected to a heating appliance or an emergency generator
- storage tank systems regulated by the National Energy Board or the Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act

For more information, please refer to section 2 of the regulations.

### Who must comply with the regulations?

Both owners and operators of storage tank systems must comply with the regulations. The term "your tank system" used in this fact sheet means the storage tank system you operate or own.



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