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# Fuel Guidelines<sup>©</sup>

This guide summarizes the industry standards for fuel storage, handling and transportation to meet *due diligence* as it relates to prevention.

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### 2021 Revision

The 2021 <u>Fuel Guidelines</u> (10<sup>th</sup> Edition) was prepared by NorthWest Response Ltd., Smithers, British Columbia, Canada. This Guideline is a reference document for the *on-line* **Fuel Management Training** course available at: <u>www.fueltraining.ca</u>

Information within this Guideline summarizes the Industry Standards for <u>fuel storage</u>, <u>handling and transportation</u> based on applicable and current Federal & Provincial Statutes, Industrial Codes of Practice, Engineering Standards and Best Management Practices. Although the information in this Guideline is thought to be accurate and reliable, the official Statutes and Regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpreting and applying the law.

This 10<sup>th</sup> Edition was reviewed against the National Fire Code and most of the Provincial Fire Codes. Although there were some minor differences between National and Provincial Fire Codes, NWR found the pertinent information referenced in this Guideline were identical and therefore applicable as a quick field reference for anyone working at remote construction sites and industrial operations across Canada.

### Established *Industry Standard*

R. vs. BC TEL Criminal Court Trial (1998) – The *BC Fuel Guidelines* was used in EVIDENCE with author/expert witness: Ray Hollenberg, NorthWest Response Ltd. to establish *Industry Standards* for fuel storage, handling and transportation in British Columbia, Canada.

### **Worker Certification Training**

On-Line Fuel Management Training at <a href="https://www.fueltraining.ca">www.fueltraining.ca</a> (now available)

This course complies with the training and awareness requirements outlined in:

- **Training** Requirements as per Provincial & National Fire Codes: All employees involved in storage and handling of dangerous goods shall be trained in safe handling procedures and correct responses to an emergency situations as per Division B, Part 3 Sections 3.2.7.15 & 3.3.4.6; & Part 4 Sections 4.5.10 & 4.6.8
- WorkSafeBC: OH&S Reg. S5.6 & S5.7
- Canada OH&S Reg. Part X-S10.1 to S10.14; Part XIV-Fueling S14.41 & Part XIX-Training S19.6.
- Transportation of Dangerous Goods (Part 6 Training): Training Certification for TDG Class 3 Flammable Liquids.
- Environmental Management Act Environmental Compliance and Risk Based Approach to due diligence as it relates to prevention.

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### **SMALL CONTAINERS**

- TDG Regulation, Motor Vehicle Act & Standards
- BC Fire Code, CCME AST Code & Industry/ Engineering Standards

  OH&S Regulation, Env. Mgmt. Act/ Regs. & Best Management Practices

### **Section 1**

	OCUPITION DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE P						
TYPE	CONDITION, DESIGN & MAINTENANCE	STORING AND SECURING	DISPENSING	TRANSPORT			
Drums & Jerricans (<230L)	Not damaged, cracked, deformed or leaking.     □ Drums (≤450L) are designed for one-time-use & require reconditioning prior to use.     ☑ Designed, constructed and maintained in good condition to securely contain product     Construction Standard     □ CGSB 43.150-2020 (replaces TP14850) are Small Containers ≤450L.     □ CSA B376 (2014) are	<ul> <li>General requirements</li> <li>☑ Secondary containment is not required for Small Containers (≤) 230L, however, it may be required to manage high-risk locations, based on the Risk Assessment Matrix.</li> <li>☑ Store all containers to prevent spillage.</li> <li>☑ Do not store small fuel containers in Riparian Management Areas without authorization.</li> <li>☑ Outdoor container storage areas must be designed to accommodate a credible spill based on the volumetric sum of the containers when stored, moved or handled in bulk (i.e. 4-drums on a pallet = 820L).</li> <li>☑ Outdoor container storage areas must be designed to accommodate a spill of the largest container capacity when containers or drums are stored, moved or handled individually (i.e. not in bulk).</li> <li>☑ For indoor storage of flammable and combustible liquids, use only ULC Approved Storage Cabinets that are vented outside.</li> <li>☑ Vent with 5cm steel pipe directly outdoors.</li> <li>☑ For indoor incidental use (example: inside shop with no fire suppression system), the max volume of flammable and combustible liquids allowed outside a storage cabinet is 600L of which not more than 100L shall be Class IA (gasoline).</li> <li>☑ Containers on a vehicle must be secured to prevent shifting, swaying, damage and/or escape.</li> <li>■ Tie down straps must have safe combined working load rating greater than the secured load.</li> <li>☑ Helicopter fuel storage is left to the discretion of the pilot but must remove all unwanted or unusable fuel storage drums from remote storage/staging locations.</li> </ul>	General requirements  ☑ Only transfer fuel with a pump designed for the products being handled. ☑ Do not fill containers beyond their safe filling level (approximate: 90%).  Labeling ☑ WHMIS Labels for Class B: Flammable Liquids (Div.2) & Combustible Liquids (Div.3) ■ Product Identifier; ■ Hazard Pictogram; ■ Precautionary Statement; ■ Reference to SDS.  Jerry cans are exempt from additional labeling if content matches the product identifier and container color: ■ Red – Gasoline; ■ Yellow – Diesel; ■ Blue – Kerosene.  Recommended Standard Procedures ☑ Store the hose above the pump to avoid siphoning. ☑ Dispense all flammable and combustible liquids from drums in an upright position. ☑ Avoid gravity dispensing. ☑ When connecting a horizontal drum to ancillary equipment, always reseal bung connection and check daily for leaks, drips and spills. ☑ Conduct a Risk Assessment and implement additional control measures in high-risk areas/operations.	<ul> <li>■ All small containers may be relocated (transported) without secondary containment.</li> <li>■ When transporting used motor oil and/or used glycol antifreeze:         <ul> <li>If &lt;450L or sample results confirm no heavy metals &amp; flash point &gt;60°C, then the waste oil and/or waste antifreeze is not regulated as a Hazardous Material under TDG and therefore, no TDG requirements</li> <li>If no sample results are available for heavy metals or flash point, treat both used oil and/or used antifreeze as a Class 9, PG III; UN3082 – Env. Haz. Substance, Liquid, N.O.S.</li> <li>■ Provincially a BC Waste Manifest is not required if shipping less than (≤) 210L (i.e. one drum) of used oil and/or used antifreeze, however if &gt;210L, then a BC Waste Manifest is required, regardless if samples were taken.</li> <li>If the combined capacity of one or multiple containers with diesel fuel and/or gasoline fuel is less than or equal to (≤) 2000L, then:</li></ul></li></ul>			

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#### ■ TDG Regulation, Motor Vehicle Act & Engineering Standards **IBCs & Portable Tanks Section 2** BC Fire Code, CCME AST Code & Industry/ Engineering Standards OH&S Regulation, Env. Mgmt. Act/ Regs. & Best Management Practices **TYPF** STORING AND SECURING **DISPENSING** CONDITION. DESIGN. & MAINTENANCE **TRANSPORT General Requirements General Requirements: Storage General Requirements Transport** ■ Must be designed, constructed, filled, closed, ■ All IBC and Portable Tanks Use fuel dispensing pumps Mobile containers do not require secondary secured and maintained so that under normal designed for the products transporting liquids require a containment. conditions of transport, including handling, there pressure relief device. being handled. Multiple diesel and/or gasoline portable tanks will be no accidental release of the dangerous ☑ Use only ULC S612 and ULC with a combined capacity that exceeds (>) ✓ If a mobile tank (>230L) is goods that could endanger public safety. removed from the vehicle and 2000L, the operator is required to: S620 approved fuel hose and ■ Portable Tanks must be compatible with the nozzle for dispensing fuel. placed on the ground, then Complete and carry a Shipping Document; dangerous goods and in good condition - not secondary containment is • Placard on all visible sides of the vehicle: damaged, rusting, or leaking. required. Replace worn, leaking or Possess a valid TDG Certificate. Do not store fuel (cache) in damaged fuel hose or nozzle. ■ Small Portable Tanks (<) 450L are exempt from Construction Standard - SMALL MEANS OF Portable Tanks Riparian Management areas TDG Regs Parts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 9 provided the CONTAINMENT ( $\leq 450L$ ), Recommended Standard without authorization. container contains diesel: **Diesel:** A spec or non-spec tank may be used. **Procedures** Ensure mobile fuel units are • Container contains Class 3 Flammable Tanks used for diesel are exempt from being ☑ Operators must stay with the secured on a solid foundation built to an engineering standard but must not Liquids with no subsidiary class; nozzle at all times while and remains level when storing • Includes Packing Group III and a flash point pose a danger to public safety. dispensing fuel. and operating. Gasoline: An IBC Portable Tank CAN/CGSB greater than 37.8°C (i.e. diesel); ☑ Do not fill containers beyond ∞ర Protect the fuel tank from wear or 43.146 spec tank is required and must be In one or more small means of containment their safe filling level. Intermediate Bulk Containers damage (i.e. rubber belting or designed and constructed to a design standard (<450L). (approximately 90% capacity) mat). specification and must bear a visible and legible ■ An Equivalent Level of Safety Permit must be Close valves when not Spec Plate. obtained from Transport Canada prior to moving Securing dispensing and lock valves to non-spec IBCs and Portable Tanks greater than Construction Standard - LARGE MEANS OF Use a pressure relief cap that secure unauthorized access. (>) 450L that contain dangerous goods in any meets manufacturers design ☑ Gasoline dispensing - ensure CONTAINMENT (>450L) with Spec Plates quantity - including "residual" tanks. specifications. there is suitable bonding ■ UN 31A/B IBC Portable Tanks as per • The Equivalency Permit will outline applicable CAN/CGSB 43.146 (2016) <5000L for TDG Containers must be secured to between tank and vehicle to use of the tank, training and inspection Class 3 PGIII (Diesel); or <3000L for TDG Class prevent damage to the container prevent static charges. and accidental release of Do not dispense fuel within a requirements. 3, PGII (Gasoline). product. Riparian Management area TC57 Portable Tanks as per CAN/CGSB 43.146 Labeling Containers must be appropriately without authorization. (2016).■ All IBCs and Portable Tanks must have UN Portable Tanks as per CSA B625-14 (R2018) secured to prevent shifting, Secure nozzle to prevent leaks appropriate TDG safety marks including: swaying, damage or escape from and spills. >450L Label or placard; ⊠ Secure fuel hose on a the vehicle. TC44 Portable Tanks as per CSA B626-09 • UN Number;

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■ ULC/ORD 142.13.

(R2015) >3000L for diesel only.

suspended from Helicopters (>450L):

MIL-D-23119G (collapsible drums).MIL-T-52983G (collapsible tanks).

For Inspection Schedules check Appendix D.

**Construction Standard for TDG Fuel Bladders** 



Spec plates must identify the following:

• Re-certification Date & TC Registered Facility.

• Container Type & Standard:

Manufacturer & Date:

Shipping Name.

retractor, hose reel or coiled on

a bracket.

Tie down straps must have safe

combined working load ratings

greater than the secured load.

unauthorized access to the fuel

☑ Lock valves to prevent

tank, nozzle and pump.

#### ■ TDG Regulation, Motor Vehicle Act & Standards STATIONARY TANKS **Section 3** BC Fire Code, CCME AST Code & Industry/ Engineering Standards OH&S Regulation, Env. Mgmt. Act/ Regs. & Best Management Practices **TYPE CONDITION, DESIGN & MAINTENANCE** STORING & SECURING ASTS DISPENSING **TRANSPORT Tank Condition & Use** Site Preparation **Site Preparation General Requirements** ☑ Secondary contained Spec Tanks ≤50,000L ☑ Follow the BC Fire Code at non-public fuel ☑ Spills, overfills and storm water from product ■ Stationary tanks (>450L) must transfer area shall be contained, treated and storage and dispensing stations (including carddo not require additional Spill Control never be used to transport fuel. disposed of as per provincial guidelines (Federal locks & key-locks) at all remote construction sites (Federal - CCME Code) **TDG Transport** CCME Code). as to meet the test of due diligence for fire and ☑ Secondary contained Spec Tanks ≤80,000L ■ Prior to moving a stationary fuel ☑ Dispensing areas shall be designed to control a environmental safety as this is the Industry do not require additional Spill Control (diesel or gasoline) tank with a spill of not-less-than (≥) 1000L (Provincial - BC-(Provincial - BC-Fire Code) Standard that would most likely meet "good capacity greater than (>) 450L and Fire Code). engineering practices". ☑ Physical protection against collision damage less than or equal to (<) 2000L **General Requirements** ■ Stationary tanks are not designed to transport ☑ Measures must be taken to prevent ensure: Use fuel dispensing/ transfer pumps designed fuel and must be emptied prior to moving. TC unauthorized access. • Tank is pumped empty (5% or for the product being handled. has designated the CAN/ULC-S601 as a Utility ☑ Use non-combustible materials to support ✓ Overfill protection may consist of: tank and may be relocated (empty) with an tank cribbing, secondary containment and • Obtain an Equivalent Level of • Visually supervise bulk fuel delivery operation Equivalent Level of Safety Permit (see STATIONARY TANKS (>230L) Aboveground Storage Tanks (ASTs) spill control berms. Safety Permit from TC: by trained & qualified personnel; and/or **General Requirements** Transport). The AST is placarded on all four Equip tank with a ULC S661 overfill protection ☑ All stationary tanks (>230L) must have **Construction Standard** sides with: ☑ All Tanks: must be designed, constructed and secondary (110%) containment. Options: TDG Classification; ☑ Equip facility with accessible emergency shut-off tested to a design standard specification and • Tank-in-tank (vacuum monitored); o Shipping Name. device to stop both power and flow of product. must bear a visible and legible Spec Plate. ■ When relocating an empty • Tank-in-tank (visible access port); ☑ To prevent unauthorized access, close and lock ☑ Spec Bladder Tanks: stationary AST with a total capacity • Tank-in-box (visible access hatch); valves when the dispensing station will be left CAN/CSA B837-14; greater than (>) 2000L, the unattended. • Tank-in-berm with geotextile liner (or • Max capacity 125,000L. following TDG Regulations must be ☑ Use only ULC S612 and ULC S620 approved fuel equivalent). ☑ Spec Steel Tanks: used to store flammable or hose and nozzle for dispensing fuel. implemented: ☑ Skid tank shall be equipped with overfill combustible liquids will generally have one of the ☑ Use 4.5m hose or 6m with retractor. • Tank must be emptied to <5% protection. following Canadian Specifications: (partial list) ■ Replace worn, leaking or damaged fuel hose or and/or contain <500L: ■ Do not leave skid tank with fuel unattended ULC-S601 Shop Fabricated AST for nozzle. • Obtain an Equivalent Level of in Riparian Management areas without **Standard Operating Procedures:** Safety Permit from TC; Flammable & Combustible Liquids: authorization. ☑ Written and posted SOPs. • A shipping document must be • ULC-S602 AST for Fuel Oil & Lub. Oil: ☑ Use a pressure relief cap that meets ☑ All operators of must be trained & qualified. completed for the Residue Last • ULC-S630 AST Vertical Tank; manufacturers design specifications. ☑ Operators must stay with the nozzle at all times Contained: ☑ Ensure all stationary tanks are properly • ULC-S643 AST Shop Fab. Utility Tank; while dispensing fuel. • The hauler/operator must possess • ULC-S653 AST Steel Tank Assembly; arounded. Maintain record of inventory. a valid TDG training Certificate; ■ All ASTs containing gasoline require a ULC-S655 AST Protected Tank Assembly: ☑ Store & secure nozzle & hose in a safe manner • The skid tank must be placarded vapour recovery system unless: • ULC-S677 Fire Tested AST with a resistance on all four sides: to prevent damage and leaks (i.e. on a • Gasoline is delivered by marine barge; rating of 2hrs. o TDG Classification: retractor, hose reel or coiled). Storage capacity <2000L;</li> ☑ For Inspection Schedules check Appendix D. Shipping Name; and Safety Equipment used at same location as ☑ Ensure secondary containment conforms to a o UN Number. ☑ Suitable bonding required between tank and storage and dispensing facility; ULC specification for stationary aboveground equipment to prevent static charges. AST is <21.000L and supply tanker does</li> storage tanks (ASTs). Maintain a current SDS of products. not have a capacity >21,000L.



### **Compressed Gases** – TDG Class 2

PROPANE/ ACETYLENE/ AIR/ OXYGEN/ CO2/ NITROGEN/ ARGON

- TDG Regulation, Motor Vehicle Act & Standards
- ☑ BC Fire Code, CCME AST Code & Industry/ Engineering Standards
   ☑ OH&S Regulation, Env. Mgmt. Act/ Regs. & Best Management Practices

### **Section 4**

TYPE	GENERAL CONDITIONS & DESIGN	PROPANE STATIONARY TANKS	MOBILE CYLINDERS	PREPAREDNESS & PREVENTION
COMPRESSED GASES TDG Class 2	General  Containers must be in good condition — not damaged, rusting or leaking  Only Qualified Individuals may inspect and service a pressure tank or cylinder  Stationary Tanks: Construction Standard  CSA B51 Boiler, Pressure Vessel & Pressure Piping Code - Propane  Data Tag/ Name Plate (legible) with Canadian Registration Number for use in BC  Serial # matches Operating Permit  Maximum Allowable Working Pressure clearly identified  Stationary Tanks: Maintenance  Up-to-date service schedule  No leaking valves  Cover for pressure relief valve  Mobile Construction Standard - Road  Cylinders / Spheres / Tubes  CSA B339 or 49-CFR for cylinders  CSA B340 & CSA B341  CGSB − 43.123 for Class 2.1 & 2.2  CSA B342 (for UN cylinders)  Highway tanks  CSA B620 & CSA B622  Portable tanks  CSA B622 & CSA B625  Mobile Cylinder: Maintenance  Assess for leaks and damage  Cylinder retesting (date stamp on collar of tank)  Aluminum/ Steel: 10yrs  Fiberglass: 5yrs  Composite: 15yrs (max life)	Storage - Stationary Propane Tanks  ■ Protect against mechanical damage ■ Valid Operating Permit for BC required ■ Compliance with CSA B149.2 Propane Storage & Handling Code ■ Do not store within a secondary containment berm ■ Separate storage area and LPG tanks from other dangerous goods by 6m ■ Separate LPG cylinders and AST fuel tanks by 3m  Tank Condition ☑ Paint coating provides full protection ☑ Not rusting and no visible corrosion ☑ Not damaged, dented or bulging ☑ No fire damage or leaks Pressure Relief Valve ☑ Present and serviceable  Tank Openings & Valves ☑ Service Valve ☑ Fill Valve ☑ Liquid Transfer Valve ☑ Filling ☑ Supplier refills on-site ☑ Easy access with collision protection Position ☑ Solid level base made from non- combustible materials Location ☑ Adequate clearances to buildings, structures & roadways ☑ Clear of vegetative overgrowth 10m ☑ Clear of all surrounding ignition sources Labeling ■ WHMIS labels (supplier or workplace) are required on all storage tanks	<ul> <li>□ Don't require an Operating Permit</li> <li>□ Don't have a Canadian Registration Number</li> <li>□ Does have a TC Number with date stamp on collar of tank</li> <li>Transportation Exemptions</li> <li>■ General Exemption: TDG Part 3 &amp; 6 do not apply to transportation on road provided:         <ul> <li>Total mass of compressed gas in one or more cylinders is ≤ 500kg</li> <li>Labels can be seen from outside the vehicle</li> <li>Transport no more than five (5) small means of containment</li> </ul> </li> <li>150kg (gross mass) Exemption: TDG Parts 3, 4, 5, 6 &amp; 8 do not apply to the handling or transport on road provided:         <ul> <li>Max capacity of each cylinder ≤ 46L</li> <li>Total gross mass of compressed gas and cylinders is ≤ 150kg</li> </ul> </li> <li>500kg Exemption: TDG Parts 3, 4 &amp; 5 do not apply to the handling or transport on road provided:         <ul> <li>Total mass ≤ 500kg of compressed gas is in one or more small means of containment that conforms to one of the Construction Standards</li> </ul> </li> <li>Tank Condition</li> <li>☑ Paint coating provides full protection</li> <li>☑ Not rusting and no visible corrosion</li> <li>☑ Not damaged, dented or bulging</li> <li>☑ No fire damage or leaks</li> <li>Secure for Transportation</li> <li>■ Tanks must be appropriately secured to prevent shifting, swaying, damage or escape</li> </ul>	Store & Protect  ☑ Secured & protected against falling and mechanical or valve damage and storage must not interfere with operation of valve assembly  ☑ Valves must remain closed when cylinder is empty or not in use  ☑ Maintain 6m radius from other dangerous goods  ☑ No propane 7.5m from exits.  ☑ Do not store propane indoors unless storage room complies with Fire Code S3.2.8.2.  Training  ■ Report & respond to all gas leaks of 10kg or greater (Class 2.1 & 2.2)  ☑ Training Requirements:  • Emergency Response Procedures & Evacuation Procedures  • Propane Handling & Storage.  • Take precautions to prevent leaks and proper PPE  Fire Control and Response  ■ Post "No Smoking" signs  ☑ Conduct Fire Response Training and maintain a Fire Response Plan  ☑ Maintain two or more 80-BC fire extinguishers to handle the risks  □ Post Fire & Spill Response procedures at all storage & dispensing facilities



### **APPENDIX**

- A Risk Assessment Matrix
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For Land Based Fuel Storage & Dispensing Facilities or Caches at Remote Construction Sites  Risk Identification HIGH MEDIUM LOW  As							
Numerical Value	3	2	1	Assigned Numerical			
Environmental Factors		_	•	Value*			
Distance to nearest watercourse	< 50m	50m-100m	> 100m				
Soil characteristics around the storage area	Porous or unknown  - coble/ gravel	Semi-porous - silt/ sand	Non-porous - clay/ bedrock				
Terrain slope	> 6% slope	2%-6% slope	< 2% slope				
Operational Factors							
Site description	Isolated access:  - no road access: fly-in only;  - barge only access	Remote access:  - 3-5hrs from town/ Hwy access;  - no cell phone coverage	Easy access:  - within 1hr of town;  - cell phone coverage				
Duration of project	> 30 days	10-30 days	< 10 days				
Volumes stored	>1000L	230L-1000L	< 230L				
Daily access	> 12x per day	6-12x per day	< 6x per day				
Personnel access	Everyone has access	Everyone with training has access	Only designated (qualified & trained) personnel have access				
Prevention & Preparedness Factors							
Site Accessibility	Requires helicopter or boat & may be weather dependent	More than a day to respond with additional equipment	Same day response time with additional equipment				
Spill Control and Additional Control Measures Implemented	No spill control & No additional Control Measures for the storage area or the dispensing area	Spill control implemented but no additional Control Measures for the storage area or the dispensing area	Spill control for the storage & dispensing area with additional Control Measures				
Preparedness and Response Training: Fuel Management & Spill Response	No one trained or has a valid Spill Response Training or Fuel Management Training Certificate	Only Supervisors have Spill Response Training & Fuel Management Training Certificates	Everyone handling fuel has a valid Spill Response Certificate & Fuel Management Certificate				
Risk Value		<u>_</u>	*Add the Assigned Numerical Values:				

### **CONTROL MEASURE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Numerical Value Risk Ranking Cor		Control Measures
< 12	Low Risk	No additional measures are considered necessary
12-23	Medium Risk	Additional control measures should be considered to reduce the risk
> 23	High Risk	See Additional Control Measures for High-Risk Sites



Risk Man	agement: Prevention, Preparedness &	Due Diligence Appendix B
Additional Control Measures	Additional Control Measures to consider for Small Containers:  - Move storage location to low-risk area; - Install additional spill control at the storage and dispensing area; - Daily visual inspection to check for leaks, drips and spills; - Regularly check and replace bung-ring gasket on drums; - Apply liquid gasket (compatible with product) on drum-bung threads; - Use non-drip spout attachments on jerricans; - Limit access and appoint a fuel storage and handling operator; - Ensure everyone who handles fuel has a valid Fuel Management training Certificate & Spill Response training Certificate; - Replace small containers that may have been compromised; - Review and update Fuel Handling Procedures and Risk Assessment Matrix on a regular basis.	Additional Control Measure to consider for Portable and/or Stationary Tanks:  - Have a current Fuel Management Plan - Install spill control for fuel storage facility; - Install additional spill control for fuel transfer/ dispensing area; - Petroleum hydrocarbon sensors and alarm systems; - Anti-siphon foot valves; - Overflow protection and/or alarm system; - Spill containment fill-box; - Dry disconnect valves; - Shear valve on tank; - Breakaway valves on hose; - Hose reel or hose retractor system; - Additional site-specific awareness training in Fuel Management & Spill Response.
Fire Safety	<ul> <li>Equipment:</li> <li>☑ Maintain one or more BC-rated fire extinguisher of a suitable size(s) to handle the potential risk at small fuel caches or with portable fuel systems.</li> <li>☑ Maintain two or more 80-BC rated fire extinguishers to handle the potential risks at larger fuel storage and dispensing facilities.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fire Control and Response Plan:</li> <li>✓ Conduct Fire Response Training and maintain a Fire Response Plan.</li> <li>✓ Post Fire Safety Procedures including "No Smoking" signs at stationary fuel storage and dispensing facilities.</li> </ul>
Spill Control	Spill Control for Small Containers:  ☐ Credible Spill Volume: minimum capacity is that of the largest container; however, when small containers are handled and moved in bulk, the credible spill volume is the sum of the small containers.  ☐ Slope and grade site with geotextile liner (hydrocarbon compatible) to collect & contain a spill - away from main storage containers;  ☐ Use plastic totes, collapsible containment berms or equivalent;	<ul> <li>Spill Control for ULC Stationary Tanks &lt;80,000L:         <ul> <li>Dispensing Area must have Spill Control of at least 1000L;</li> <li>Slope and grade site with geotextile liner (hydrocarbon compatible) to collect &amp; contain a spill - away from main storage containers;</li> <li>Use collapsible containment berms or equivalent;</li> <li>Conduct a Risk Assessment to determine Significant Aspects of Operation and Implement Additional Control Measures.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Training	<ul> <li>✓ Anyone responding to a spill must have had Spill Response Training and carry a valid certificate;</li> <li>✓ Anyone who handles, stores and transports flammable or combustible liquids must be adequately trained and qualified</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Fuel Management Training &amp; TDG-Class 3 Certification:         <ul> <li>On-Line Course: www.fueltraining.ca (now available)</li> </ul> </li> <li>✓ Spill Response Training Certification:         <ul> <li>On-Line Course: www.fueltraining.ca (now available)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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#### Risk Management: Prevention, Preparedness & Due Diligence **Appendix B** ◆ SPILL PLAN or Emergency Response Procedures must be with each MOP-UP & TREATMENT Spill Preparedness kit or within easy access to the spill kit o Absorbent pads (i.e. petroleum) or equivalent material (i.e. Risk Based Assessment peat moss) appropriate for the type and volume of spilled ◆ CONTAINMENT: Each spill kit should reflect the risk and the Tarp Containment™ product. - Large tarp for containment Appropriate number of absorbent booms for skimming and potential response. Therefore, no spill kit will - 2x4 lumber or equivalent to use as a crossbeam absorption be the exact same Drum liner bags or plastic pails (20L) o Culvert Block Containment™: Example of Equipment - Plywood or equivalent for blocking a culvert Bioremediation product to treat contaminated soil List for < 1000L Diesel Shovels, rakes or appropriate hand tools - Small tarp for sealing culvert block Storage for Land-based Underflow Containment<sup>™</sup>: SAFETY Operation - Sandbags for diversion or containment dam Fire extinguisher (BC type) - PVC Pipes for underflow construction Traffic Control where required PPE (personal protective safety gear) Patch & Plug - Bentonite clay material or equivalent Rubber boots - Wooden dowels & wedges or equivalent Rubber, Nitrile or equivalent protective gloves ◆ ADVANCED WATER RESPONSE EQUIPMENT Hard Hat, Hearing & Eye Protection Watergate® (MegaSecure Dam) Rain gear or chemical splash protection Water Barrier® (AquaDam) PPE (Advanced Equipment with Certified Training) Respirators Gas Meter (or Vapour Monitor) **Decontamination Unit** Prevention: **Due Diligence** Response Due diligence is a legal argument that reasonable measures were o Due diligence is a legal argument that reasonable measures taken to prevent an incident from occurring. were taken to minimize the impact of the incident on the This may include: environment. Implement industry standards for fuel management; o This may include: Implement a risk assessment approach to understanding Implement a risk assessment approach to fuel management; Implement employee awareness and training for fuel spill preparedness and response:

Fuel Guidelines: 10<sup>th</sup> Edition Revised: July 23, 2021 management:

Implement pre-work inspections, standard operating

procedures and documentation.



Implement employee awareness and response training that

reflects the operational risks;

Maintain a spill response kit based on the risk.

### Site Preparation: Secondary Containment vs. Spill Control

### **Appendix C**

### Fire Code:

#### Defining Secondary Containment & Spill Control

#### **Secondary Containment Definitions:**

Under the National and Provincial Fire Codes, a storage tank (containing *flammable liquids* or *combustible liquids*) installed in a fixed location, is required to have secondary containment as per Section 4.3.7 <u>Secondary</u> Containment for ASTs.

*Note*: A storage tank is defined as a tank that has a volumetric capacity of more than (>) 230L.

#### **Spill Control Requirements:**

Under the National and Provincial Fire Codes Section 4.1.6.1 (1) <u>Spill Control</u> A spill of *flammable liquids or combustible liquids* shall be prevented from flowing outside the spill area and from reaching waterways, sewer systems and potable water sources by:

- (a) constructing a non-combustible barrier capable of containing the spill or
- (b) grading the site or sloping the floor to divert the spill to a drainage system.

### Discussion:

Complying with Secondary Containment & Spill Control QUESTION: Does a CAN/ULC-S601 double walled tank with a capacity of less than (<) 80,000L require additional Spill Control?

#### The National and Provincial Fire Codes (FC) outline the following:

FC Sentence 4.1.6.1(1) Spill Control – requires the construction of a noncombustible barrier capable of containing a spill, as per Sentence 4.1.6.1(2).

FC Sentence 4.1.6.1(2) states:

When barriers required in Sentence 4.1.6.1(1) are provided to contain accidental spillage from ASTs, they shall conform to the requirements for secondary containment in Subsection 4.3.7.

FC Sentence 4.3.7.1 (2) **Secondary Containment** for Aboveground Storage Tanks (ASTs) states:

When barriers described in Sentence 4.1.6.1(1) are provided to contain accidental spillage from ASTs, they shall conform to the requirements for secondary containment in this Subsection. This includes: Construction, Capacity, Clearance, Access, Emergency Venting, Leak Detection, Drainage and Use of Secondary Containment.

FC Sentence 4.3.7.1(3), which states:

A storage tank conforming to Sentence 4.3.7.4(2) <u>shall be considered as conforming to this Subsection</u> provided it is used and maintained in conformance to *drainage* (Section 4.3.7.8) and *use* of secondary containment (Section 4.3.7.9).

FC Sentence 4.3.7.4(2) states:

The storage tank has a capacity of not more than (≤) 80,000L and is constructed in accordance with a CAN/ULC Standard that incorporates secondary containment or a double walled system for the storage tank.

<u>ANSWER</u>: In this example, *Spill Control* is considered to be met by conforming to the <u>Construction Standard</u> for secondary containment/double walled tank [ULC-S601 as per FC Sentence 4.3.1.2.(1)(e)] and the <u>Volume</u> (<80,000L). Therefore, no additional *spill control* is required, however this does not take into consideration the dispensing and fuel transfer areas (see below) or meeting the test of *due diligence* for a high-risk area/operation.

#### Fire Code:

Defining Spill Control at Dispensing & Fuel Transfer Areas

#### **Dispensing & Fuel Transfer Areas:**

The National and Provincial Fire Codes Section 4.6.7 **Spill Control** is required at any premise at which *flammable liquids* or *combustible liquids* are dispensed from fixed equipment into the fuel tanks of motor vehicles (equipment);

4.6.7.1 (1) Areas where flammable liquids or combustible liquids are dispensed shall be designed to:

- (a) be able to handle accidental spillage in conformance with subsection 4.1.6 and
- (b) control a spill of not less than 1000L.



Small Container Inspection Matrix  Appendix						
Small Containers	External Inspection	Internal Inspection	Leak Testing	Pressure, Hydro or Pneumatic	General Information	
Jerry Cans: CGSB 43.150-2020 (replaces TP14850 Standard) ≤60L have a 60-month lifespan  Plastic drums & jerry cans (<150L) may exceed the 60-month expiry date (but not 120-months) if:  - Container is part of a fleet of containers under the control of a single operator;  - Operator conducts an External Inspection  - Used for Class 3 Products;  - Capacity <150L;  - For a fleet of containers, the Operator is registered with the Director TC (Transport Canada).	Container shows no sign of cracking, crazing, swelling, gouging, permanent deformation, degradation or compromised integrity	Not required	Not required	Not required	Lifespan is 60-months (5-yrs) from date of manufacture.  For containers that are used more than once, be in such condition, including closure devices and cushioning materials, that they conform to all applicable requirements of the CGSB 43.150 Standard including:  Free of corrosion and contamination that may render the container unsafe for transport	
Drums & Pails: CGSB 43.150-2020 (replaces TP14850 Standard) ≤450L plastic drums, steel drums and salvage containers  A container must not be filled with dangerous goods, unless the following conditions are met: a. the single packaging, the inner packaging or the inner receptacle is compatible with the dangerous goods; b. the container is free from corrosion, contamination or other damage that that may render the container unsafe for transport. Any container that shows signs of reduced strength compared with the registered design must not be used; c. the steel or plastic drum has been reconditioned in accordance with CGSB-43.126 before reuse.	Reconditioning, remanufacturing and repair of drums for TDG as per CGSB 43.126-2008 (R.2014) Section 6.2.3	Reconditioning, remanufacturing and repair of drums for TDG as per CGSB 43.126-2008 (R.2014) Section 6.2.2	Reconditioning, remanufacturing and repair of drums for TDG as per CGSB 43.126-2008 (R.2014) Section 6.2.4	Reconditioning, remanufacturing and repair of drums for TDG as per CGSB 43.126-2008 (R.2014) Section 6.2.4.3	For containers that are used more than once, be in such condition, including closure devices and cushioning materials, that they conform to all applicable requirements of the TP 14850 Standard including reconditioning.	



IBCs, Portable Contain	BCs, Portable Containers & Mobile Tank Inspection Matrix  Appendix I						
Containers & Tanks	External Inspection	Internal Inspection	Leak Testing	Pressure, Hydro or Pneumatic	General Information		
Bladder Drums & Tanks MIL-D-23119G Mobile Drums MIL-T-52983G Mobile Tanks	Bladders show no sign of leaking, chafing, cracking, crazing, swelling, gouging, permanent deformation, degradation or compromised integrity.	Not required	Not required	Not required	Typical lifespan according to manufacture is 7-10 years, however this is not a Standard.  There is no engineering inspection schedule for bladder tanks.		
Intermediate Bulk Containers as a Mobile IBC (IBC <3000L) Standard: CGSB 43.146 Example: UN31A (truck box fuel tank)	60-months (5-yrs) from date of manufacture	Not required	60-months (5-yrs) from date of manufacture	Not required	A Mobile IBC is intended to be loaded, stored & unloaded on a means of transport. All the openings of these IBCs are within the vapour space only. Primary Markings: "Do not lift when loaded with product"		
Intermediate Bulk Containers other than Mobile IBCs (IBC ≤3000L) Standard: CGSB 43.146 Example: UN31H1 (rigid plastic tote)	30-months from date of manufacture	Not required	30-months from date of manufacture	Not required	These IBCs are not "permanently" mounted on a transport unit. These IBCs are transported to a facility and off-loaded for use & storage. The bottom discharge for liquids must have a secondary means of closing.		
TC 44, TC 56 & TC 57 Portable Tanks (>3000L) as per CSA B620 Standard	1-year	5-years	1-year	5-years	TC Portable Tanks must be inspected by a TC Registered Facility		
TC406/306 Highway Tanks As per CSA B620 Standard	1-year	5-years	1-year	5-years	TC Highway Tanks must be inspected by a TC Registered Facility		

Container & Tank	Container & Tank Inspection Matrix  Appendix						
Stationary Tanks	Daily & Weekly Inspections:	Annual Inspections:	General				
Double Walled Tank Inspections:  a. BC Fire Code b. CCME Code of Practice for Storage Tank Systems Containing Petroleum & Allied Products; and c. ULC S601 as per CAN/ULC- S676-15 Standard for Refurbishing of Storage Tanks for Flammable and Combustible Liquids	Daily visual in-service pre-work inspection each day the facility is in operation:  ✓ Check for leaks, drips and spills:  ☑ Fuel hoses and fittings;  ☑ Pipe connections & flanges;  ☑ Pumps & nozzles;  ☑ Tank & valves.  Weekly in-service visual inspections:  ✓ Check vacuum monitor gauge is okay:  ☑ Secondary Containment;  ✓ Check for product or water accumulation in:  ☑ Spill control tray & containment systems.	Visual in-service leak-detection & monitoring will ensure the following (Document Annual Inspection):  ✓ All access lids, caps and ports are tight and correctly sealed;  ✓ Tank, supports and sump integrity have not been compromised;  ✓ Secondary containment, spill control trays & sumps are clean and free of debris, liquid and ice;  ✓ Piping, fittings & connections are not leaking or dripping liquid;  ✓ No new stains have developed since last inspection;  ✓ Sensors are functioning and confirm correct values/ reading;  ✓ Visual inspection of tank wall;  ✓ Overfill protection devices.	BC Fire Code: S. 4.4 Leak Detection Double-walled storage tanks, which have an interstitial space that allows for monitoring using high-tech or low-tech methods.  Note: If a leak is suspected, the AST inspection and performance testing need to be performed by a Qualified Professional				
Stationary Bladder Tanks CAN/CSA-B837-14	Bladders show no sign of leaking, chafing, cracking degradation or compromised integrity. There is no	Typical lifespan is 7-10 years however this is not a Standard					



### **SOP:** Treating Fuel Leaks, Drips and Non-Reportable Fuel Spills<sup>©</sup>

**Appendix E** 

Best Management Practices\* (BMP): This SOP will ensure that BMP are implemented when treating small volumes of hydrocarbon waste material.

#### Specifications for this SOP:

- The contamination is petroleum hydrocarbon based (synthetic oil will not bio-remediate)
- The source of the petroleum hydrocarbon contamination is from:
  - 1. Non-reportable spills to land including: Class 3 Spills less than (<)100L / Leaks / Drips / Hydrocarbon Stains
  - 2. On-site facilities including: Wash-Pad Sumps / Oil-Water Separator Sumps / Sediment & Storm Drain Sumps / Shop Sweepings
- On-going treatment is a long-term maintenance plan to reduce site contamination from increased concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons
- Criteria for identifying contamination follow these general guidelines:
  - 1. The depth of contamination does not exceed 0.5m below surface grade
  - 2. The surface staining is less than 3m in diameter
  - 3. The volume of contaminated media is less than (<) 5m<sup>3</sup>

#### In-situ Treatment (see Table 1)

The visible suspect/contaminated material will not be excavated or removed. All treatment will be performed within the boundaries of the stained/contaminated area.

#### **Spill Assessment:**

- Contain and remove any free product:
  - Use petroleum absorbent pads or equivalent absorption product(s) to remove free product prior to treatment

#### **Environmental Assessment:**

- Identify the characteristics of the contaminated media:
  - Clay, Silt and Mud mixtures
  - Sand and Gravel mixtures
  - Pebbles and Cobble mixtures
  - Gravel and mixed fragments
  - Fibric, Silt and Sand mixture
  - Humic. Silt and Sand mixture

#### Bioremediation in-situ Treatment:

- Add treatment product to contaminated area (see Table 1)
  - Dry or liquid product, depending on the media
    - Dry product: 1 bag/ 1m³ of contaminated media
    - Liquid product: 1L concentrate to 50L water or as prescribed
- Mix treatment product with contaminated media
  - Use excavator, grader or equivalent to ensure a good mix
  - On hard surfaces (i.e. asphalt or cement pads) spread product to absorb, sweep and remove
- Assess the treated area:
  - Check for petroleum hydrocarbon odors & visible staining
- Repeat in-situ treatment if staining or odors persist

### Ex-situ Treatment (see Table 1)

- Stockpile contaminated media in a mini-biocell for treatment;
  - A small cell lined with 20mil poly and 1m soil cover, a cement pad or equivalent
- Mix treatment product with contaminated media
  - Dry product: 1 bag/ 1m³ of contaminated media (see Table 1);
  - Use excavator or equivalent to ensure a good mix
  - Aerate with excavator every two weeks
  - Leave uncovered if no precipitation is in the forecast
- Assess the treated area:
  - Check for petroleum hydrocarbon odors & visible staining
- Repeat treatment within *biocell* if petroleum hydrocarbon odors or staining persist

#### **Disposal Options:**

- Landfill intermediate cover and/or final cover material (Check *Permit* requirements)
- On-site restoration (no off-site media relocation permitted):
  - Construct berms, ditches & use to backfill around the site
  - On-site road surface improvements

Table 1. Remedial Options for Media Characteristics.

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Remedial Options for Media Characteristics	In-situ Bioremediation	In-situ Bioremediation	Ex-situ Bioremediation Cell
	Dry Product <sup>1</sup>	Liquid Product <sup>2</sup>	Dry-Product
Clay/ Silt/ Mud	YES		YES
Sand/ Gravel	YES		YES
Pebbles/ Cobble		YES	YES
Gravel/ Mixed Fragments		YES	YES
Fibric/ Silt/ Sand	YES		YES
Humic/ Silt/ Sand	YES		YES
Cement Pad/ Asphalt Road	YES	YES	
Large Rocks & Boulders		YES	

<sup>1</sup>Oil Gator® or equivalent & <sup>2</sup>Micro-Blaze® or equivalent

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### **BMPs:** GENERATORS, SEA-CANS & SHOPS

### **Appendix F**

### **Diesel Powered Generators**

### Best Management Practices:

### Sources and Areas of Concern

- Fuel filter on diesel powered generators have been the cause of some major spills:
  - Faulty filter base caused ongoing leak.
  - Over-tightened filter caused base to leak.
  - Connections are not ULC approved or leaking.

#### **Spill Control**

- The spill control under the diesel generator should have a containment volume equal to the day fuel supply tank or equal to a credible spill volume of the main fuel tank.
- Ensure that the generator facility has a containment tray or an internal perimeter lip to prevent a spill from exiting the facility.
- Install a hydrocarbon sensor(s) with emergency light and/or siren to alert camp maintenance staff of a potential leak within the generator unit (prior to overflowing the spill containment system)

#### Checklist

- Conduct daily visual assessment and look for visual staining, leaks, drips and spills around:
  - Spill control containment under gen-set,
  - Secondary containment tray of facility,
  - All fuel connections located inside and outside of the generator unit,
  - Fuel filters and fuel lines inside and outside of the generator facility.
- If a wooden dip stick is used to check fuel levels (instead of a continual volume monitor), make sure the stick is always dried with an absorbent pad prior to storage. Do not keep waste absorbents outside.

## Intermodal Shipping Containers (Sea-Cans)

### **Best Management Practices:**

#### **Safety Concern**

- Storage of *flammable* and *combustible* liquids were in canisters that were not ULC approved or left open (i.e. open jars and open jerry-cans with spout attached).
- Sea-Cans were not properly vented and vapour accumulation inside reached lower-explosive-levels which ignited.

#### **Best Management Practices**

- Review OH&S <u>Hazard Alert 2012-04</u> for background on the risks and potential deadly scenario of not addressing the safety concerns.
- Intermodal Shipping Containers used to transport dangerous goods must conform to storage and separation requirements as outlined in National and Provincial Fire Codes (FC S3.3.4.8)
- Intermodal Shipping Containers (Sea-Cans) used to store dangerous goods <u>must</u> be vented in accordance with Occupational Health & Safety Recommendations
- Install one or more Powerless Turbo Roof Vent(s) (top of Sea-Can) with four open vents (air intake) at bottom corners of Sea-Can (or equivalent venting system).

#### **Spill Control**

- Ensure that spill control is established for the storage of flammable and combustible liquids. The volume should be equal to the largest cannister or based on a credible spill scenario if multiple cannisters are stored in the same area.
- Install a containment tray or "lip" inside the Sea-Can floor to contain a spill from the storage cannisters within the unit.

## Fuel Storage & Dispensing Inside Shops<sup>1</sup>

### Fire Code Requirements & BMPs:

### Storing & dispensing flammable & combustible liquids

- When storing and dispensing up to 1500L:
- Requires a 1hr Fire Separation around the room
- Requires an average storage density of 100L/m<sup>2</sup>
- When storing and dispensing up to 10,000L:
  - Requires a 2hr Fire Separation around the room
  - Requires an average storage density of 200L/m<sup>2</sup>
- For maximum indoor storage quantities of flammable & combustible liquids see National or Provincial Fire Codes S4.2.7.5
- Storage rooms shall be liquid-tight where the walls join the floor. (FC S4.2.9.1)
- Dispensing of *flammable* or *combustible* liquids from containers having a capacity of more than 30 L shall be by pumps or through self-closing valves, designed in conformance with good engineering practice.
- Store fuel canisters in approved ULC storage cabinets with 2hr fire resistant rating, professionally installed and vented to outdoor area. (FC 3.2.7.9) (FC 4.2.7.3) (FC 4.2.10)
- For indoor incidental use (example: inside shop with no fire suppression system), the max volume of flammable and combustible liquids allowed outside a storage cabinet is 600L of which not more than 100L shall be Class IA (gasoline).

#### Recommendations

 Install hydrocarbon sensor(s) with emergency light and/or siren to alert shop maintenance staff of a potential leak within the shop or storage room.

<sup>1</sup>Fire Code Requirements. See National and Provincial Fire Code Section 4.2.7 Industrial Occupancy & Section 4.2.9 Rooms for Container Storage and Dispensing



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