



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK PROGRAM

**FIRST-TIME PERMITTEE OR TANK OWNER REQUEST FOR  
AN UST TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TA) INSPECTION**

**1. FACILITY (Location of Tanks) (Please Print)    2. PERMITTEE OR TANK OWNER (Please Print)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

DEQ General Permit Operating Certificate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR AN UST TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INSPECTION**

- Any person who is a first-time permittee or tank owner on or after April 15, 2011 may request an UST TA inspection.
- If you became an owner or permittee of more than one UST facility, DEQ will only conduct a TA inspection at one of your facilities.
- You must submit this form within 90-days of an operating certificate being issued in response to a permit modification application or submittal of a new tank installation application.
- No more than one TA inspection will be conducted at any facility as long as the permittee and tank owner remain the same for the facility.

**4. GROUND RULES FOR AN UST TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INSPECTION**

- The objectives of an UST TA inspection are to assist first-time permittees and tank owners to know the pollution prevention features of their UST systems and learn how to attain and maintain compliance with UST compliance rules.
- Permittees and tank owners are required to designate Class A and B operators pursuant to OAR 340-150-0210. Within 90 days of being designated, Class A and B operators must complete operator training pursuant to one of the options listed in OAR 340-150-0210 (5). This operator training must be completed before the TA inspection is conducted. The TA inspection is not a substitute for operator training, rather it is intended to complement and reinforce what is learned during operator training.
- Permittees, tank owners and/or Class A and B operators must actively participate in the TA inspection. If the permittee, tank owner or Class A or B operator do not participate, the UST inspector will terminate the TA inspection.
- Most violations discovered during a TA inspection will be addressed by issuance of a letter setting forth the violations and a corrective action schedule for correcting the violations. The violations must be corrected within the schedule provided. If violations listed in the letter are timely corrected, no civil penalty will be assessed for these violations. **Please note some violations discovered during a TA inspection may still subject you to civil penalties.**
- A regular UST compliance inspection will not be scheduled during the time between when a TA inspection is requested and completed. At any other time, DEQ may schedule a regular UST compliance inspection. All violations noted during a regular UST compliance inspection will result in an enforcement action.

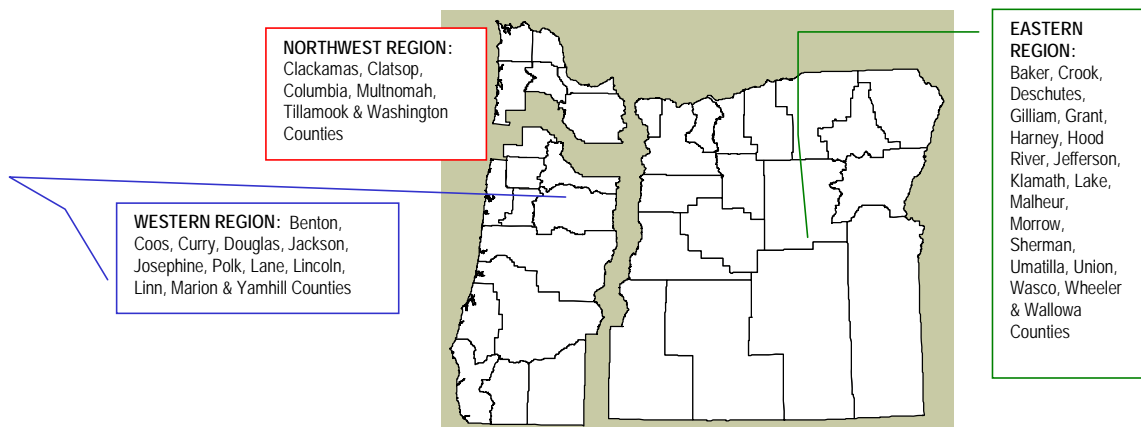
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- The UST inspector will exhibit the same degree of thoroughness during an UST TA inspection as if it were a regular UST compliance inspection. Nonetheless, the violations documented during a TA inspection are not represented to be exhaustive by DEQ. The facility remains responsible for complying with all applicable UST rules, whether DEQ applies them or not during a TA inspection. In the future, DEQ can issue an enforcement action including civil penalties for an UST violation that was not documented during a TA inspection. It is the permittee's and tank owner's responsibility to know, understand and implement all the UST rules. UST inspectors are available at any time to answer questions about UST rules.

I certify I have read and understand the eligibility criteria and ground rules for requesting an UST TA inspection.

Permittee: or tank owner \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature)

**RETURN COMPLETED AND SIGNED FORM TO THE DEQ REGIONAL OFFICE FOR YOUR AREA (Addresses are listed below).**



EASTERN REGION / THE DALLES 400 E. Scenic Drive, Building 2 - 307 The Dalles, OR 97058 Phone: 541-298-7255 ext 236 Fax: 541-298-7330	WESTERN REGION / COOS BAY 381 N SECOND STREET COOS BAY 97420 Phone: 541-269-2721 ext 231 Fax: 541-269-7984	WESTERN REGION / SALEM 750 Front Street NE, Suite 120 Salem, OR 97301-1039 Phone: 503-378-8240 Fax: 503-373-7944
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**For information or assistance with this form call (503) 229-6652 or the UST HELPLINE: 1-800-742-7878 (Toll Free in Oregon).**

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<http://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/tanks/ust/index.htm>