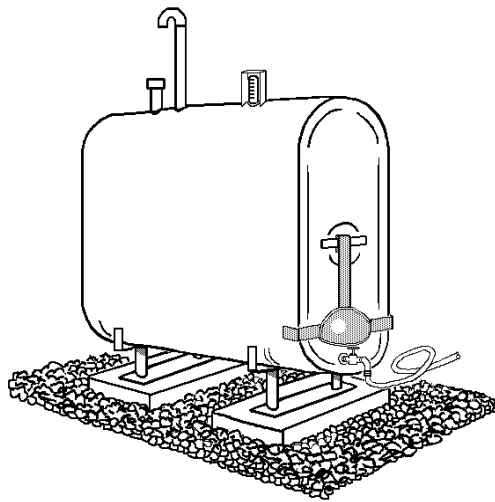




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On April 1, 2002, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador put into effect regulations for heating oil tanks. The main purpose of these regulations is to prevent heating oil leaks and spills. This will be accomplished through an oil tank inspection and registration procedure.

Why was this Brochure developed?

This brochure was developed for those who had not yet had their heating oil tank registered.

What am I supposed to do with my existing tank?

Now that the deadline for registration has passed you should not be operating your unregistered tank. If it is old or does not meet current requirements it will have to be replaced and the new tank must be inspected and tagged before any heating oil is put in the new tank. The age may be demonstrated by a ULC label on the oil tank or an invoice clearly indicating the date the oil tank was purchased or installed. If it still has useable life then it may be inspected, upgraded if necessary, and registered. It is very likely, however, that it would not meet current requirements.

I need heating oil. What can I do?

In order to get heating oil you have to have your system registered. Your heating oil tank isn't registered. You will need to contact a licensed inspector and have the tank inspected and tagged.

How do I get my oil tank registered?

Your oil tank must be registered by a licensed inspector. You should contact your heating oil supplier or your heating service contractor to have this arranged. The licensed inspector will conduct the inspection and rivet a brass registration tag, stamped with an expiry date, to your oil tank's vent pipe. The inspection details will then be forwarded by the inspector to the Department for registration purposes. A Certificate of Registration will also be provided to you by the licensed inspector. All of this, of course, will only happen if your tank meets current requirements.

What if I don't get oil delivery? I get my own oil and put it in my own tank.

It is illegal to add heating oil to a tank that has not been registered. It is also illegal to operate a heating oil tank that has not been registered.

What if I don't get my oil tank registered?

As noted above, since the deadline for registration has passed, if you continue to operate or add heating oil to your heating oil tank then you will be doing so illegally.

Will my existing oil tank have to be replaced?

Whether you are required to replace your oil tank depends on whether your oil tank passes the inspection or meets all the applicable requirements. The inspector will inform you whether your oil tank can be registered; whether certain parts need to be upgraded; or whether you need to replace your oil tank. It is highly likely that you will need to replace your existing oil tank.

As of July 29, 2015 single walled steel tanks located outside will not be able to be registered whether it's an existing one or a new one. As of that date the requirements of Series 15 edition of CSA-B139, the Installation code for oil-burning equipment, will be adopted under the regulations.

Who can install an oil tank?

Anyone can install an oil tank. However, a licensed inspector must inspect and approve the oil tank before it can be registered and before it can be used. Prior to installing your own oil tank, you should:

- contact a licensed inspector to see if the inspector will inspect and register the oil tank;
- find out the cost of the inspection;
- determine whether installing the oil tank yourself is acceptable to your insurance company; and,
- determine whether doing the work yourself will void your oil tank's warranty.