

Oil Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) Program

What is SPCC?

- The SPCC Program goal is to prevent oil spills into waters of the U.S. or adjoining shorelines

SPCC – Self Exam

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- ~~YOU MIGHT BE~~ ^{ARE} IN VIOLATION OF THE SPCC RULE IF YOU DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE

SPCC – Program Details

Who is Covered by SPCC?

- If your farm or gin meets the following criteria, then you are covered by SPCC
 - Farm or gin that uses and has capacity to store more than 1320 gallons of diesel, gasoline, lube oil, hydraulic fluid, crop oils, vegetable oil, animal fat... above-ground or more than 42,000 gallons in completely buried containers
 - Above-ground storage capacity includes containers of 55 gallons or greater.
 - Adjacent or non-adjacent parcels of a farm, either owned or leased, may be considered separate facilities for SPCC Purposes
 - Could reasonably be expected to discharge oil into waters of the U.S.



IMPORTANT

What Actions are Needed if Covered by SPCC?

- The SPCC program requires you to prepare and implement a SPCC Plan.
- You may prepare and self-certify your own plan if you meet all the following
 - Farm or gin has total storage between 1320 gallons and 10,000 gallons of above ground storage
 - No above ground container greater than 5,000 gallons
 - A good spill history

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- The SPCC program requires you to prepare and implement a SPCC Plan.
- You may need a SPCC Plan certified by a professional engineer (PE) if you meet any of the following
 - Farm or gin has above ground storage capacity exceeding 10,000 gallons
 - Farm or gin has more than 42,000 gallons storage capacity of completely buried containers
 - Farm or gin has an above ground container greater than 5,000 gallons
 - Have had an oil spill

SPCC - Deadline Extension

- The agency recently extended the date 18 months to May 10, 2013 as the date by which owners of a SPCC regulated farm must prepare or amend and implement a SPCC Plan
- Owners of a SPCC regulated gin must prepare or amend and implement a SPCC Plan by November 10, 2011

Farms - When Do I Need a Plan?

- Farms in operation on or before August 16, 2002
 - Must have a Plan now and/or
 - Amend existing Plan by May 10, 2013
- Farms in operation after August 16, 2002 but before May 10, 2013
 - Must prepare and implement a Plan by May 10, 2013
- Farms in operation after May 10, 2013
 - Must have a plan in place prior to operations

Gins - When Do I Need a Plan?

- Gins in operation on or before August 16, 2002
 - Must have a Plan now
- Gins in operation after August 16, 2002 but before November 10, 2011
 - Must have a Plan now
- Gins in operation after November 10, 2011
 - Must have a plan in place prior to operations

How Do I Develop a SPCC Plan?

- EPA has a information online to assist a farmer or ginner in understanding obligations under the SPCC Program
 - Fact Sheet – SPCC Program Information for Farmers – November 2011
 - Sample SPCC Plan
 - Template - Tier I Qualified Facility SPCC Plan
 - SPCC rule
- The NCC and the NCGA web site contains links to all the above



SPCC – Action Plan

Are you covered by SPCC?

- Don't overlook the ability separate facilities
- Document your situation if not covered
 - Responsible for clean up of spilled oil
 - Know containment system requirements

If covered:

- When should a Plan be in place
- Can you self-certify
- Contact a PE if self-certification is not an option
- DO NOT WAIT UNTIL MAY 10, 2013