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Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC Plan) Requirements for Regulated Aboveground Storage Tanks (ASTs)

The owner of an Aboveground Storage Facility (AST) facility that is subject to the New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Chapter Env-Or 300 may be required to prepare and implement a Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC Plan) to establish release prevention measures and effective response procedures for releases from their AST system(s). The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Oil Compliance Section (OCS) has created a flow chart on the following page to navigate the rules and codes that apply to SPCC Plans and what requirements need to be met.

An SPCC Plan is not required at facilities with a storage capacity of 1,320 gallons or less if all the criteria in Env-Or 306.02(f) are met which include:

1. The facility meets all applicable equipment standards specified in Env-Or 305.
2. The facility is in compliance with Env-Wq 401.04 relative to storage of regulated substances.
3. The facility is not used for fueling water craft.

The SPCC Plan must be reviewed every five years as well as when any modifications at the facility occur (e.g. addition or subtraction of tanks, change in contents, etc.). If a modification occurs, the owner must submit to NHDES either an updated New Hampshire Professional Engineer (PE) stamped certification page or self-certification signature page based on the type of Facility (see subsequent flow chart). If no changes have occurred over five years, the owner should send NHDES a signed document stating that the SPCC Plan has been reviewed and no changes or amendments are needed.

References:

- [Chapter Env-Or 300](#) (effective 02/07/2014) = Aboveground Petroleum Storage Facilities (NH Code of Administrative Rules).
- [Chapter Env-Wq 401](#) (effective 05/19/2015) = Required Best Management Practices for Groundwater Protection (NH Code of Administrative Rules).
- [NH RSA 146-A](#) = Oil Discharge or Spillage in Surface Water or Groundwater.
- [40 Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) Part 112](#) = Oil Pollution Prevention.

Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan Flow Chart

