

NEBRASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

TITLE 229 - DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

CHAPTER 12 - OWNER-USER INSPECTION ORGANIZATIONS

001. This chapter is adopted pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat. §48-727*.
002. Any person, firm, partnership or corporation operating unfired pressure vessels in this jurisdiction may seek approval and registration as an owner-user inspection organization by filing an application with the chief inspector on prescribed forms. Each such application shall be accompanied by a fee of fifty dollars plus twenty dollars for each special inspector employed by the owner-user inspection organization. Commissions issued to a special inspector employed by an owner-user organization shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance. A fee of twenty dollars shall be charged for each annual renewal of the commission of a special inspector.
003. Application and registration shall show the name of such organization and its principal address in this state, and the name and address of the person or persons having supervision over inspections made by said organization. Changes in supervisory personnel shall be reported to the chief inspector within 30 days after any such change.
004. Each owner-user inspection organization as required by the provisions of the Act and these rules and regulations shall:
 - A. Be an accredited owner/user inspection organization under the National Board Inspection Code or be a state-approved owner-user inspection organization under API-510.
 - B. Conduct inspection of the pressure vessels, not exempt by the Act, utilizing only qualified inspection personnel. Such inspections shall be done to the same standards as those performed by the Chief Inspector, his or her deputy, or a Special Inspector;
 - C. Retain on file at the location where equipment is inspected a true record or copy of the report of each inspection signed by the inspector who made the inspection;
 - D. Promptly notify the Chief Inspector of any pressure vessel which does not meet requirements for safe operation;

- E. Maintain inspection records which will include a list of pressure vessels covered by the Act, showing a serial number and such abbreviated description as may be necessary for identification, the date of the last inspection of each unit and the approximate date for the next inspection. Such inspection records shall be readily available for examination by the Chief Inspector or his or her authorized representative during business hours;
- F. Transmit a statement of inspection to the Chief Inspector for each pressure vessel for which a certificate of inspection is sought. Such statement shall be signed by the individual having supervision over the inspection. The statement shall certify that each inspection was conducted in accordance with the inspection requirements provided for by the Act and Title 229. Such statement shall be accompanied by a certificate of inspection fee set forth in 229 NAC 7. Inspections may be performed within ninety days prior to the expiration date of the certificate of inspection.

005. Owner or User to Notify Chief Inspector of Accident.

When an accident involving the rupture or explosion of a pressure vessel occurs, the owner or user shall promptly notify the Chief Inspector and submit a detailed report of the accident.

In the event of a personal injury or any explosion, notice shall be given immediately by telephone, telegraph, fax, electronic mail, or messenger and neither the pressure vessel, power piping, or process piping, nor any parts thereof, shall be removed or disturbed before permission has been given by the Chief Inspector, except for the purpose of saving human life and limiting consequential damage.