



State Water Resources Control Board

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UPDATED EXAMS FOR CALIFORNIA UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL CERTIFICATION

To: Local Agencies, Service Technicians, Designated Operators, and Other Interested Persons

The purpose of this letter is to advise that as of January 1, 2013 exam content has been updated for certifications issued by the International Code Council (ICC) for California Underground Storage Tank (UST) Inspector (UI) and California UST Service Technician (UT). Revision to the exam and reference materials are the result of expanding availability and use of best management practices in testing UST equipment. There is only one significant change to the exam reference materials, and that is the addition of Petroleum Equipment Institute (PEI) Recommended Practices (RP) 1200¹ as a reference for the UI and UT. Please note however, the ICC CA UST Exam Reference Book has not been revised because it is ICC's policy to not include copyrighted materials. For a complete review of the ICC CA UST Exam Reference Book contents and related materials please see enclosure California UST Certification Exam References.

The exam remains open book for the UI, and closed book for the UT. The ICC CA UST Exam Reference book will be provided at the testing center for the UI. However, those taking the UI exam starting January 1, 2013 will need to bring the PEI RP 1200 reference with them to the exam center, as stated above they are not included in the ICC CA UST Exam Reference Book. The reference book can be purchased at (<http://www.iccsafe.org/Store/Pages/Product.aspx?id=1375S04>). PEI publications can be purchased at www.pei.org.

If you have questions please contact Sean Farrow at (916) 324-7493 or sfarrow@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Laura S. Fisher.

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Enclosure (1)

¹ PEI RP1200-12 - Recommended Practices for the Testing and Verification of Spill, Overfill, Leak Detection, and Secondary Containment Equipment at UST Facilities

California UST Certification Exam References

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Examination Reference		UST System Operator (Open Book Exam)	UST Service Technician (Closed Book Exam)	UST Inspector (Open Book Exam)
Contained in This Booklet		Required for This Exam		
1	California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 16, Underground Storage Tank Regulations. (October 13, 2005)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	California Health and Safety Code, Chapter 6.7, Underground Storage of Hazardous Substances (July 7, 2003)	Yes	Yes	Yes
3	California Code of Regulations. Title 8, Section 5157, Permit-Required Confined Spaces	No	No	Yes
4	Dollars and Sense, July 1995 (EPA 510-K-95-004)	Yes	No	No
5	Operating and Maintaining Underground Storage Tank Systems, August 2000 (EPA 510-B-00-008)	Yes	Yes	Yes

Note: "Straight Talk on Tanks" has been removed for exams starting in July 2012. References #1-2 are also available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/regulatory/index.shtml#regs. References #4 - 5 are also available at <http://www.epa.gov/OUST/pubs/index.htm>.

The following references are not contained in this booklet but are required study references for the exams indicated below.

Examination Reference		UST System Operator (Open Book Exam)	UST Service Technician (Closed Book Exam)	UST Inspector (Open Book Exam)
<u>Not</u> Contained in This Booklet		Required for This Exam		
6	EPA 910/B-92/001 <i>Health and Safety Training for Underground Storage Tank Inspectors, Students Guide</i>	No	Yes	No
7	PEI/RP100 (2011) <i>Recommended Practices for Installation of Underground Liquid Storage Tanks</i>	No	Yes	No
8	PEI/RP300 (2009) <i>Recommended Practices for Installation and Testing of Vapor Recovery Systems at Vehicle Fueling Sites</i>	No	Yes	No
9	PEI/RP500 (2011) - Recommended Practices for Inspection and Maintenance of Motor Fuel Dispensing Equipment	Yes	Yes	Yes
10	PEI/RP900 (2008) - Recommended Practices for the Inspection and Maintenance of UST Systems	Yes	Yes	Yes
11	PEI/RP1200 (2012) Recommended Practices for the Testing and Verification of Spill, Overfill, Leak Detection, and Secondary Containment Equipment at UST Facilities	No	Yes*	Yes*

* Required study references for exams starting in January 2013. Sample exam questions for this reference are available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/leak_prevention/index.shtml .