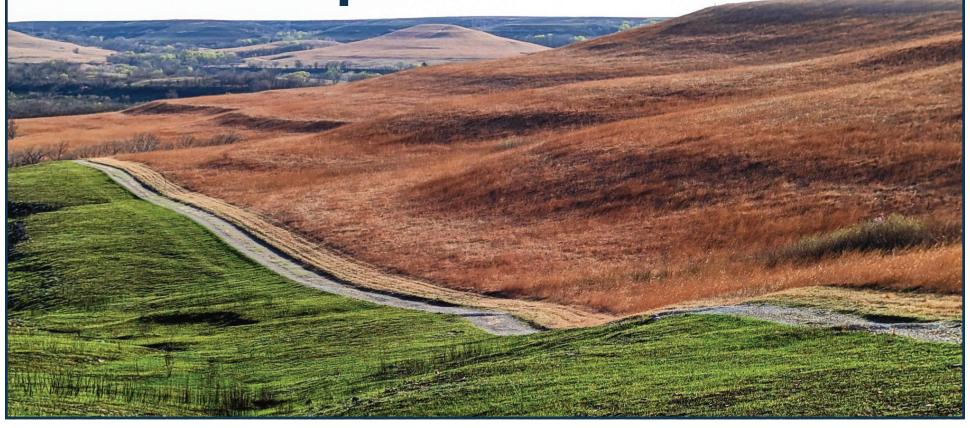
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# Inventory control (and what it can do for you)

Good inventory control benefits your business as well as the environment. It identifies losses and other issues in your tanks, whether they are leaking or not. Inventory control is also required by KDHE regardless of your release detection method — SIR records are not a substitute for inventory control records. Documented inventory control does more than show you don't have a release — it proves that you are actively monitoring your system for leaks. It also allows you to catch the leaks and other issues quickly, whereas relying on statistical inventory reconciliation (SIR) alone could mean you don't realize you're losing product until weeks later.

If you have more than a 0.5% difference in your inventory control, you should start looking at possible sources of loss. Temperature differences, theft, meters or automatic tank gauges (ATGs) in need of calibration, or even parking a delivery truck such that it is not level can cause discrepancies. The most common reason for discrepancies in inventory control is meters in need of calibration, and calibration issues can show a loss of product in your records.





- Always use gross gallons for inventory control. Net gallons is temperaturecorrected to 60 degrees Fahrenheit, so it could be very inaccurate with varying temperatures.
- Interstitial monitoring must be used for monthly monitoring for USTs installed after July 2013.

Acceptable methods of monthly monitoring include the use of an ATG, interstitial monitoring of tanks with secondary containment, or statistical inventory reconciliation. Manual tank gauging can also be used for used oil tanks with a capacity of 2,000 gallons or less, or tanks not containing used oil of 1,000 gallons or less, though periodic tank tightness testing is also required for tanks with a capacity of more than 1,000 gallons. An ATG or interstitial monitoring equipment must be installed by a Kansas-licensed contractor. Lists of contractors and SIR vendors are available on KDHE's website at https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents and kdhe.ks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/9033/SIR-Vendors-PDF.

# **AUGUST 2023**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Effective October 2021, inventory control is no longer required for standby generator tanks, but these tanks are required to have monthly monitoring.

## **New testing requirements**

The July 2020 update to Kansas UST regulations included new requirements for testing:

- Spill prevention equipment (spill bucket) must be tested at least once every three years (unless double-walled and inspected no less frequently than every 30 days as required by the walkthrough inspection) and within 30 days of repair.
- Containment sumps if using interstitial monitoring for the piping release detection then (under dispenser containment, pump sump and piping transition sumps) — must be tested at least once every three years and within 30 days of repair.
- Overfill prevention (automatic shutoff, ball float valves or overfill alarm) — must be tested at least once every three years and within 30 days of repair.
- Release detection equipment (ATG and other controllers, probes and sensors; automatic line leak detector; vacuum pumps and pressure gauges; and hand-held electronic sampling equipment) all applicable parts must be tested at least once annually and within 30 days of repair.

Facilities were required to have these tests performed for the first time by Oct. 13, 2021. Be sure to check whether your facility is approaching any testing deadlines stated above. Documentation of any required testing will need to be submitted to KDHE before the current test expires. Completion of testing will help maintain compliance with storage tank regulations and permit requirements. Overdue testing will prevent you from obtaining your annual permit. These tests must be performed by a contractor licensed in Kansas for the testing being done. A list of Kansas-licensed contractors can be found at https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents. Records of these inspections must be retained for three years.



Be sure to schedule any required testing well in advance. Contractors may charge more if you need to schedule tests during a busy period provided appointments are even available.



- If you use an ATG directly for release detection or indirectly, by using
  it for interstitial monitoring or as part of inventory control that is then
  fed into SIR, then all parts of the ATG must be tested at the same time
  annually. If you use an overfill alarm as overfill prevention, this is likely
  part of your ATG system and usually checked during annual testing.
  Check with your contractor before scheduling overfill prevention testing!
- To view the most recent testing dates that KDHE has on record for your facility, go to https://keap.kdhe.ks.gov/berTanks/ and search for your facility using your Owner ID or Facility ID, or by selecting the applicable district using the district map.

# **SEPTEMBER 2023**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	<b>4</b> Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Visually inspect the premises daily by checking for obvious signs of a release or indicators that there could be a release soon, such as puddles, active leaks and wear on equipment, such as hoses. Update your inventory control records daily by checking the level in the tanks, reading the meters on the pumps, and calculating overs and shorts.

## **Cathodic protection**

Do you have a steel tank or steel piping? Corrosion protection is a vital part of maintaining steel tanks and piping, but it also requires monitoring. If you have an impressed current system and your rectifier log reaches zero, you are no longer in compliance and your tank is more susceptible to corrosion. If this is not corrected quickly, the tank could require repairs leaving the tank temporarily unusable or even in need of replacement. If your rectifier log is approaching zero, it's time to contact a contractor licensed in cathodic protection for USTs in Kansas. Regular testing is also required for all cathodic protection systems, including impressed current and galvanic anode, also known as a sacrificial anode. These systems must be tested every three years by a contractor licensed in Kansas for cathodic protection testing.







If the reading on your rectifier hasn't changed in a while, that could indicate it is no longer reading correctly, and you may want to consult a contractor to ensure your cathodic protection is still working. It's also a good idea to turn the system off and back on occasionally to ensure the amp gauge is still working.

# OCTOBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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		Halloween				

Have you been trained in the operation of UST's? Managers in Kansas are required to have Class A/B training, and anyone involved in daily facility operations needs Class C training.

This includes cashiers, anyone whose duties might include watching for problems with equipment and those who might need to respond in an emergency.

# How long should I keep records?

One year: permit, annual tank registration, third-party liability insurance, inspection of automatic or mechanical leak detectors, testing of release detection equipment, line tightness testing, rectifier readings

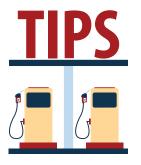
Three years: spill prevention testing, overfill protection testing, containment sump testing, tank gauging results\*, water test results\*, inventory control\*, monthly release detection reports (SIR, automatic reports or vapor readings)\*

Five years: tank tightness testing, inspections of internally lined tanks with no external corrosion protection

**Six years:** cathodic protection testing

\*Though you are only required by regulation to keep these records for a year, KDHE prefers you retain them for three years.





- Print your release detection records every month. Your system may be able to print historical records, but these may not be accepted. Your records provide proof your system is not leaking
   — they are also proof you have been checking for leaks. It is also a good practice to scan or photograph the ATG printouts as the paper they are printed on degrades easily.
- Submitting your documents in KEIMS allows you to view them in KEIMS later. Though this is a
  convenient way to keep track of your paperwork, you should still retain your own copies of all
  your records for the required time. If there is a problem with KEIMS that causes data loss, you
  are still required to be able to present your records.

# **NOVEMBER 2023**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
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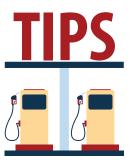
## **Spill buckets**

Spill buckets are essential for preventing releases of product and ensuring quality for the customer. It is important they are intact and clean in order to contain small spills made during transfer without allowing debris into product tanks. For full instructions on cleaning your spill bucket, go to sbeap.org/storage-tanks.

As of 2020, spill buckets must now be tested at least once every three years (unless double-walled and inspected no less frequently than every 30 days as required by the walkthrough inspection) and within 30 days of repair. This test was required to be performed for the first time by Oct. 13, 2021, so make sure you know your next deadline to test your spill buckets, as it may be coming up. Documentation of a passing test needs to be submitted to KDHE before the current test expires. Overdue testing will prevent you from obtaining your annual permit. These tests must be performed by a contractor licensed in Kansas for the testing being done. A list of Kansas-licensed contractors can be found at www. kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents. Records of these inspections must be retained for three years.







- Make sure spill buckets and sumps are clean before hydrostatic testing is performed. Otherwise, the water used to test could be contaminated and may have to be treated as a hazardous or special waste.
- Be sure to schedule any required testing well in advance.
   Contractors may charge more if you need to schedule tests during a busy period, provided appointments are even available.

# **DECEMBER 2023**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Christmas Eve						
New						
Year's Eve <b>31</b>	Christmas Day					

Visually inspect the premises daily by checking for obvious signs of a release or indicators that there could be a release soon, such as puddles, active leaks and wear on equipment, such as hoses. Update your inventory control records daily by checking the level in the tanks, reading the meters on the pumps, and calculating overs and shorts.

### **Walkthrough Inspection Checklist**

The Walkthrough Inspection Checklist must be completed for every active UST in Kansas. This is required to renew the permit for a tank, and failure to complete inspections and documentation could prevent the permit from being renewed.

Some tasks on the checklist are required monthly, meaning they must be completed no more than 30 days apart, and some are only required annually.

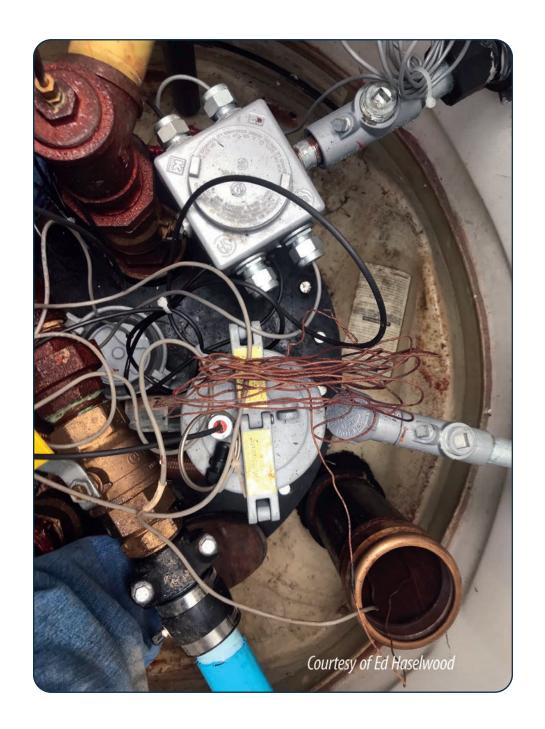
The inspection must be conducted by an A/B operator or by a C operator under the supervision of an A/B operator. The operator should **initial** each task as it is completed. Not all tasks on the checklist will apply to each tank, so be sure you understand which ones apply to your system. Write "NA" for the tasks that do not apply to your system. For each item on the checklist that applies to the system, document the condition of the equipment, any issues found, and any corrective action taken.

Inspection records must be maintained for one year. A copy of the checklist is included in the back of this calendar.

Further guidance on completing the checklist, including a detailed guidance document and two short videos, is available at sbeap.org/storage-tanks. SBEAP also offers technical assistance and site visits to help you understand your compliance requirements and how to complete them.



Some facilities choose to pay a contractor to conduct their inspections. While this is allowed, the facility A/B operator is still ultimately responsible for the inspection, meaning this person will be liable for any problems, not the contractor.



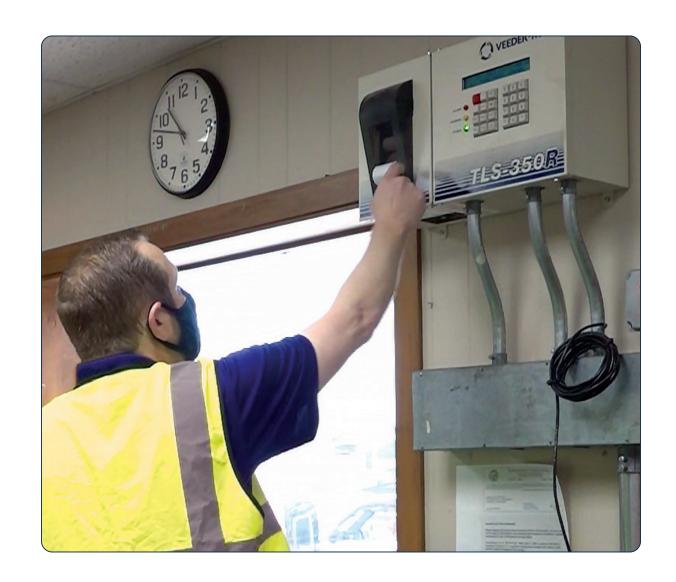
# **JANUARY 2024**

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31	<b>1</b> New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6
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14	<b>15</b> Martin Luther King Jr.  Day	16	17	18	19	20
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28	29	30	31	1	2	3

Have you been trained in the operation of UST's? Managers in Kansas are required to have Class A/B training, and anyone involved in daily facility operations needs Class C training.

This includes cashiers, anyone whose duties might include watching for problems with equipment and those who might need to respond in an emergency.

## **Paperwork Checklist** Once a year, you must — ☐ Renew your third-party liability insurance before it expires. What's your insurance expiration date? ☐ Have release detection equipment tested by a Kansas-licensed UST contractor. ☐ Calibrate your pump meters. ☐ Test automatic and mechanical leak detectors. By April 30 submit the following to KDHE: ☐ Annual Inventory Control Summary ☐ The December Inventory Record ☐ Release Detection Annual Summary ☐ Supporting documentation for the **Release Detection Annual Summary** covering December of the previous year ☐ Walk-Through Inspection Checklist ☐ Rectifier Log Annual Summary ☐ Permit renewal application and pay tank fees At least once every three years, cathodic protection, spill prevention, containment sumps and overfill protection must be tested. Date of last cathodic protection test: Date of last spill prevention test: Date of last overfill protection test: Date of last sump test:





KDHE prefers UST owners and operators to renew their annual permits using KEIMS, its online data management system. KEIMS combines the annual documentation required for your permit into one process, with reminders about what is required for your system, notes on what each requirement means, and more. Online permit renewal and document submittal may be required in the future. For more information or to access the system, go to kdhe.ks.gov/1122/Kansas-Environmental-Information-Managem.

# FEBRUARY 2024

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	Presidents' Day					
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Compliance forms and a list of Kansas-licensed UST contractors are available kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents. Compliance forms and a list of Kansas-licensed UST contractors are available kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents. Compliance forms are also in KEIMS.

## Sticking your tank

If you gauge your tank manually, make sure your stick is sealed, is not warped, cut or worn at the end, and is marked to the 1/8-inch. You need to test weekly by gauging the tank twice, allowing it to rest for the full period required (see table) without adding or removing any product, and gauge it twice after allowing it to rest. Be sure to wipe the gauge stick between measurements. Always use the tank chart that corresponds with the tank you are testing. More information is available on the KDHE website and a video on sticking your tank correctly is available at sbeap.org/storage-tanks.

Many ATGs can gauge your fuel depth, measure your water level and perform leak-detection tests at the push of a button. This simplifies inventory control and eliminates the need to let your tank rest for a period of 36 hours



or more at a time. However, it's still a good idea to keep a stick in case your ATG fails for any reason or to confirm the ATG is calibrated correctly. It's also a good idea for facilities with ATGs that can check water levels to periodically check the water level manually, using water-finding paste, in addition to the regular readings from the ATG.

## **Table of Test Standards for Manual Tank Gauging**

Tank Size	Minimum Duration of Test	Weekly Standard (one test)	Monthly Standard (four-test average)
up to 550 gallons	36 hours	10 gallons	5 gallons
551-1,000 gallons (when tank diameter is 64")	44 hours	9 gallons	4 gallons
551-1,000 gallons (when tank diameter is 48")	58 hours	12 gallons	6 gallons
551-1,000 gallons (also requires periodic tank tightness testing)	36 hours	13 gallons	7 gallons
1,001-2,000 gallons (also requires periodic tank tightness testing)	36 hours	26 gallons	13 gallons



# **MARCH 2024**

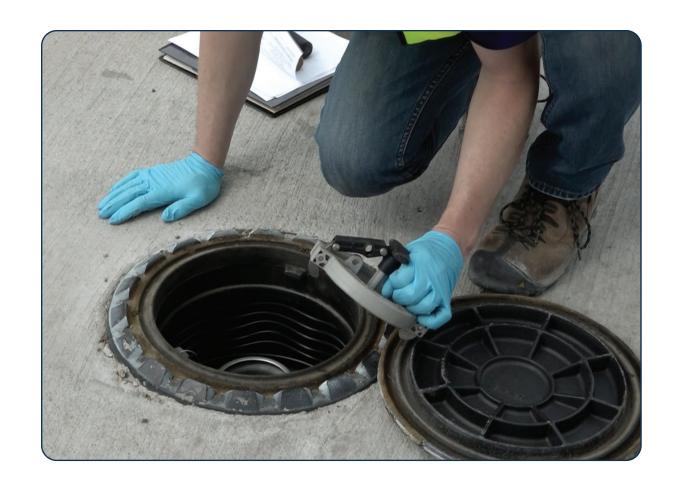
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St. Patrick's Day						
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Easter Sunday						
31						

If you have two consecutive failed months inventory readings or four failed months within a year, you must notify KDHE.

### **KEIMS**

KDHE is now using an online data management system called KEIMS for permitting, forms, and other paperwork previously submitted via mail or email. Facilities can set up their accounts to allow access to owners, operators, contractors, and more. This allows different parties to submit forms, such as repair certifications by contractors. Fees can also be paid online. For more information, instructions, or to access the system, go to kdhe.ks.gov/1122/ Kansas-Environmental-Information-Managem. SBEAP has also created videos to help users navigate in KEIMS and renew UST permits—available at sbeap.org/storage-tanks. Use of KEIMS is not currently required for permitting and other compliance paperwork but may be in the future. KDHE has also completed an instructional webinar series that covers the basics of KEIMS as well as guidance on some of the most frequently asked questions. These can be found at youtube.com/ playlist?list=PLNf9pPKiboltSF0QUO Oz-6GrDcDmHq5l.

Need help with KEIMS? Call SBEAP! 800-578-8898





Different bureaus use KEIMS differently — the processes may look different for different bureaus and setting your account up with one bureau does not mean it is set up with others.

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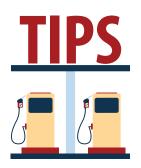
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### **Overfill protection and prevention**

Any tank that receives one or more deliveries of more than 25 gallons at a time must be equipped with an overfill prevention system. Overfill prevention averts overfilling of the tank by reducing or stopping flow of product during delivery, or by sounding an alarm to indicate the tank is nearly full so the delivery person knows to stop the flow of fuel into the tank. Typical overfill prevention consists of an automatic shut-off device (an in-tank float valve), or an alarm attached to an ATG which continuously measures the fuel level in the tank. As of 2020, overfill protection equipment must be tested by a Kansas-licensed contractor every three years. This test was required to be performed for the first time by Oct. 13, 2021, so be sure to check whether your facility is approaching any testing deadlines. Documentation of a passing test will need to be submitted to KDHF before the current test expires. Overdue testing will prevent you from obtaining your annual permit. A list of Kansaslicensed contractors can be found at https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents. Records of these inspections must be retained for three years.





- If you use an ATG directly for release detection, or indirectly, by using it for
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  are even available.

# **MAY 2024**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Mother's Day						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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	Memorial Day					

Have you been trained in the operation of UST's? Managers in Kansas are required to have Class A/B training, and anyone involved in daily facility operations needs Class C training.

This includes cashiers, anyone whose duties might include watching for problems with equipment and those who might need to respond in an emergency.

## **Labeling ports**

If a delivery driver gets ports confused, the results can be expensive and timeconsuming, with consequences, such as loss of product or damage to your system. Make sure your ports are labeled in such a way that a delivery driver can easily tell which is which. The two main ways of doing this are by painting the lid or by placing a product ID marker in the spill bucket. Lids are typically color coded according to API 1637, but it's critical that whatever color coding you use, a key should be readily available. It's also good practice to paint a few inches past the edge of the lid so that if more than one lid is removed, it's easy to tell which one goes on which port.







The idea of labeling the ports is to prevent mistakes that can be costly in many ways or even dangerous, but it can also protect you from liability in the case of an error.

# **JUNE 2024**

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Father's Day			Juneteenth			
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Visually inspect the premises daily by checking for obvious signs of a release or indicators that there could be a release soon, such as puddles, active leaks and wear on equipment, such as hoses. Update your inventory control records daily by checking the level in the tanks, reading the meters on the pumps, and calculating overs and shorts.

### **ATG**

Automatic tank gauges, or ATGs, constantly monitor the fuel in your tank. Depending on the model, an ATG can give you some of the numbers you need for inventory control, provide a water level measurement in your tank and serve as the method of release detection and overfill protection. If you use an ATG, you should know how to get a level reading and perform other functions the ATG may offer. If you use it for release detection, remember the test is meant to be run at normal conditions, so it's better to run it at a high fuel level than low — testing a tank while underfilled may raise a red flag to an inspector. All operators should also know what to do in case of an alarm. Multiple systems can have alarms through the ATG, such as interstitial monitoring systems and overfill prevention.

Change the battery according to the manufacturer's instructions and keep the startup program in case you need to restart the ATG; a power outage or surge can corrupt the programming. Test your ATG frequently. The contact points can corrode over time, making it harder for the system to connect after a long rest, so you may need to try a few times. However, if you cannot produce a passing test, you will need to contact KDHE and work toward identifying and correcting the problem.

Under the 2020 regulations, ATGs have to be certified annually by a Kansas-licensed UST contractor. Facilities were required to have these tests performed for the first time by Oct. 13, 2021. Be sure to check whether your facility is approaching any testing deadlines. Documentation of a passing test will need to be submitted to KDHE before the current test expires. Overdue testing will prevent you from obtaining your annual permit. A list of Kansas-licensed contractors can be found at https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents. Records of these inspections must be retained for one year.





If your ATG is your primary method of release detection, or if you rely on it for interstitial monitoring, or inventory control data as part of SIR, then all parts of the ATG must be tested at the same time annually. If you use an overfill alarm as overfill prevention, this is likely part of your ATG system and usually checked during annual testing. Check with your contractor before scheduling overfill prevention testing!

# **JULY 2024**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6
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### **KDHE DISTRICT OFFICES**

#### **Northwest District Office**

2301 E 13th Street Hays, KS 67601-2651 785-261-6100

#### **North Central District Office**

3040 Enterprise Dr. Salina, KS 67401 785-827-9639

#### **Northeast District Office**

800 W 24th Street Lawrence, KS 66046-4417 785-842-4600

#### **Southwest District Office**

302 W McArtor Road Dodge City, KS 67801-6014 620-682-7940

#### **South Central District Office**

300 West Douglas, Suite 700 Wichita, KS 67202-2921 316-337-6020

#### **Southeast District Office**

308 W 14th Street Chanute, KS 66720 620-431-2390

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

### Kansas State University Pollution Prevention Institute Small Business Environmental Assistance Program

www.sbeap.org • sbeap@ksu.edu Environmental Assistance Hotline • 800-578-8898

This calendar is provided by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Kansas Small Business Environmental Assistance Program, working in partnership to provide you with tools and tips to help you stay in compliance, reduce waste and save money.

Call or email for confidential assistance with environmental rules.

Get more tips on reducing wastes and discuss ideas mentioned in this calendar.

#### **Bureau of Environmental Remediation**

kdheks.gov/ber

This bureau regulates storage tanks to meet state (KDHE) and federal (EPA) rules.

#### **KDHE Preventative Unit**

kdhe.tankinfo@ks.gov

### **HELPFUL LINKS**

### Check testing dates for system equipment at your facility:

https://keap.kdhe.ks.gove/berTanks

#### Find a list of Kansas Licensed UST Contractors and other documents related to USTs:

kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents

### **KEIMS log in and helpful information:**

kdhe.ks.gov/1122/Kansas-Environmental-Information-Managem

### Other helpful resources from SBEAP:

sbeap.org/storage-tanks

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## **CLASS C OPERATOR TRAINING LOG**

Name of Operator Trained	Date of Training	Operator Initials	Trainer Initials

## **How to complete the Walkthrough Inspection Checklist**

- The walkthrough inspections can be conducted by an A/B operator, or by a C operator under the supervision of an A/B operator. Though you can have your contractor check the items on the list, the A/B operator is still ultimately responsible.
- Monthly items must be checked no more than a month apart. Annual checks must be completed no more than a year apart, though some are recommended monthly. This checklist is meant to be used for a calendar year.
- Not all items on the checklist will apply to your facility. Identify which items apply and which do not. Write "NA" for those items that do not apply. Do not initial items that don't apply to your system.
- Examine each item that applies. If you are unsure where to find some parts of your system or what conditions to look for, you can ask your contractor to walk you through the checklist, or SBEAP has resources on completing the checklist, including a guidance document and two short videos. See SBEAP resources at sbeap.org/storage-tanks.
- For each item that applies to your facility, if it is in satisfactory condition, INITIAL the box for that month on the checklist. Again, the A/B operator is the responsible party for signing off on the form and for any errors.
- If an item is found in less than satisfactory condition, take the following steps:
  - Document the condition found.
  - Take appropriate corrective action — any repairs should be performed by a Kansaslicensed contractor (a list is available at https:// www.kdhe.ks.gov/1010/ Helpful-Documents).
  - Initial the appropriate box on the checklist once the item is back to satisfactory condition.
- Submit the completed checklist for the calendar year during the next permit cycle—i.e. the 2022 checklist will be submitted to receive a 2023-2024 UST permit.
- Retain a copy for at least one year after completion.

### **Additional KEIMs info**

Have you logged into KEIMS yet? The Kansas Environmental Information Management System, or KEIMS, is the new method for submitting paperwork related to your UST system. With KEIMS, your documents are kept in one place online, allowing for easy access (note that best practice is still to retain your own copy of all compliance documents). KEIMS streamlines the permit renewal process with features such as auto-filling information about your tank, reminding you which forms you need for some parts of your compliance, including notes about exemptions, and providing relevant forms. You can also pay fees associated with your permit online — please note that payments are submitted through a separate vendor (iKan), and that you will need to print your receipt from their website at the time of payment. To learn more about KEIMS and how to navigate, see the login page at kdhe. ks.gov/1122/Kansas-Environmental-Information-Managem, check SBEAP's videos on navigating KEIMS and renewing your permit at sbeap.org/ storage-tanks, or KDHE's instructional webinar series at youtube.com/ playlist?list=PLNf9pPKiboltSF0QUO Oz-6GrDcDmHq5l.

Need help with KEIMS? Call SBEAP! 800-578-8898

## **Compatibility**

Some regulated substances may have negative interactions with some storage tank systems, which can lead to contamination of product or premature failure of the storage tank system. For that reason, KDHE now requires that UST owners or operators demonstrate that their UST systems are compatible with the substance stored. This can be done by the manufacturer or by a nationally recognized, independent



testing laboratory. Also, if the owner or operator would change the substance stored to a regulated substance that contains more than 10% ethanol or more than 20% biodiesel, they must notify KDHE at least 30 days in advance.

Some regulated substances, most commonly ethanol blends and ultra-low sulfur diesel (ULSD), are also a food source for bacteria, which can then build up in your UST system. This can cause blockages, especially in vent lines, which leads to slow dispensing of product. These bacteria also commonly produce acids, like acetic acid; - the acid found in vinegar. This can corrode your system and does so faster than water. Watch out for blue crystals in containment sumps or other parts of your system, slow dispensing, and odd smells, such as vinegar, rotten eggs, or rising bread.

### **Contractors**

Before you try to repair something yourself, see if it requires a licensed contractor. Many maintenance and repair tasks necessary to keep your system functioning and in compliance must be performed by licensed contractors, and some work requires additional specific licenses, such as cathodic protection testing. If work requiring a licensed



contractor is performed by someone who does not have the correct license for the task, that work will have to be redone by someone with the proper license. An unlicensed person attempting work that requires a license could face a fine of up to \$500 or more.

Not all contractors can do the same jobs— make sure to hire contractors who are licensed in the work you need done, such as tank-tightness testing. You can find a list of KDHE-approved UST contractors at www. kdhe.ks.gov/1010/Helpful-Documents.



Hiring a contractor is often more expensive closer to deadlines. You can save money by planning and having any testing done well before the deadline. To view the most recent testing dates that KDHE has on record for equipment at your facility, go to https://keap.kdhe.ks.gov/berTanks/ and search for your facility using your Owner ID or Facility ID, or by selecting the applicable district using the district map.

### **Release procedures**

In case of a spill or release: First, turn off pumps. If there is a fire or large spill, call 911, keep people away from the area and call the manager. It is very difficult to accurately estimate the quantity of an underground release and for that reason, KDHE



requires that all underground releases be reported immediately. Surface spills of petroleum must also be reported in the case of actual or imminent water or soil pollution.

The main things to report are whether the source is stopped and, if possible, how much was spilled. UST releases should be reported to the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Unit at 785-296-6768 or to the appropriate district office for your area. Spills of 25 gallons or more, or those that cause a sheen on water, should be reported to 785-296-1679.

You may be required to report evidence of a release such as product in soils, basements, or nearby surface water; unusual operating conditions, including erratic behavior of product-dispensing equipment, sudden loss of product from a UST system, an unexplained presence of water in a tank, or release detection results indicating there may have been a release.

When in doubt, report — it's better to call KDHE than to have someone call them about you.

### **SBEAP Resources**

SBEAP has several resources to help you with environmental compliance, including a manual for UST owners and operators, videos on navigating around and using KEIMS to renew your UST permit, a guidance document and two short videos explaining how to complete the Walkthrough Inspection Checklist, and a document to help new owners of USTs identify their requirements. Find these resources and more at sbeap.org/storage-tanks. Technical assistance and site visits are also available —contact SBEAP at 800-578-8898 or sbeap@k-state.edu.

## **KDHE WALK-THROUGH INSPECTION CHECKLIST**

Instructions: Initial each box to indicate the equipment at your facility was inspected. Use NA if the equipment does not apply to the facility.

For underground storage tanks

equipment does not apply to the facility.	Owner ID			Facility ID								
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Date of Inspection												
MONTHLY CHECKS - TO BE CHECKED ONCE A MONTH											,	,
Tank Monitor Equipment												
Checked for alarms and normal operating conditions												
Monthly passing test and/or sensor reports from the tank monitor												
If equipped with vacuum, record readings monthly												
Vapor monitoring wells covers marked - wells checked monthly												
Readings recorded from hand-held device or readings supplied by your vendor monthly												
Inventory control submitted to Statistical Inventory Reconciliation (SIR) vendor once every 30 days												
Line Monitor Equipment									,			
Checked for alarms and normal operating conditions												
Monthly passing tests and/or sensor reports for secondary containment from the automatic tank gauge or recorded from the digital automatic line monitor equipment												
Vapor monitoring wells covers marked - wells checked monthly												
Readings recorded from hand-held device or readings supplied by your vendor monthly												
Piping transition sumps												
Cathodic Protection - Impressed Current												
Checked rectifier for normal operation												
Record amps/volts/hours if present, once every 30 days												
Record green light indicator every 30 days if equipped												
Spill Basins												
Checked for damage and cracks , remove any liquid or debris												
Fill cap fits tight, rubber gasket not torn or missing												
Spill basin cover fits correctly, does not wobble or is not broken												
Drop tube is present with no obstructions												

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Date of Inspection												
ANNUAL CHECKS - TO BE CHECKED AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR - KDHE RECOMMENDS TO BE CHECKED MONTHLY												
Manual Tank Gauging												
Check condition of stick - plastic tip present, numbers readable												
Correct tank chart being used												
Under dispenser with or without containment												
Interstitial monitoring sensor in correct position												
No liquid or debris, no signs of cracks or holes												
Test boot (if applicable) pulled back so interstice is not blocked												
Shear valve is anchored and installed correctly												
Flex connectors show no signs of leakage or swelling												
ANNUAL CHECK - TO BE CHECKED AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR												
Sumps with or without secondary containment												
Manhole cover fits correctly												
Containment sump lid in good condition												
Interstitial monitoring sensor in correct position												
No liquid or debris, no signs of cracks or holes												
Test boot (if applicable ) pulled back so interstice is not blocked												
Flex connectors show no signs of leakage or swelling												

**Instructions:** If any alarms, damaged equipment and/or non-normal operating conditions exist, take the appropriate action.

If petroleum is found in a under dispenser sump, pump sump and/or transition sump, the facility is required to investigate and notify KDHE if a leak has been discovered. Keep all records of repairs and record the dates and parts repaired/replaced on the maintenance log.

NOTE: UST SYSTEM OWNER/OPERATOR ARE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR ONE (1) YEAR.

### KDHE Walk-through Inspection check list is due to KDHE by April 30 of each calendar year.

#### Submit to:

Kansas Department of Health and Environment Bureau of Environmental Remediation Storage Tank Section 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 410 Topeka, KS 66612-1367

Phone: 785-296-8061 Fax: 785-559-4260 Website: www.kdheks.gov/tanks

Name and initial of r	personnel co	nducting wa	lk-throu	ah ins	pection
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A/B Operator Name	Certificate #	Initials
C Operator Name		Initials
IF A/B operator is contracted, provide individual		
A/B Operator Name :	A/B Certificate #	Initials



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