



Fire Department

Office of the Fire Marshal /
Bureau of Fire Prevention

TANK REMOVALS

1. Tank permits are required to be onsite while the work is being performed.
2. The Bureau of Fire Prevention shall be notified 30 minutes prior to the removal of the tank. Bureau of Fire Prevention personnel are required to be onsite during the removal of the tank.
3. Continuous metering of the tank is required with a combustible gas indicator.
4. All flammable and combustible liquids shall be removed from the tank accordingly.
5. The tank shall be either purged or inerted. If purging, the tank atmosphere shall be periodically tested with a combustible gas indicator. If inerting, the tank atmosphere shall be periodically tested with an oxygen meter. (dry ice 1.5 pounds per 100 gallons of tank capacity).
6. Access to the tank shall be made by careful excavation of the top of the tank.
7. All exposed piping, gauges, fixtures and vent line shall be removed.
8. All openings shall be plugged and capped. A 1/4" inch opening shall be allowed for the release of excessive build up of vapors.
9. The tank may be removed and secured.
10. All corrosion holes shall be plugged.
11. Soil samples should be gathered.
12. The tank must be safely secured during transport.
13. Tanks are not allowed to be sectioned or cut-up onsite.

Any comments, concerns or questions shall be directed to the Bureau of Fire Prevention, Hazardous Materials Division at 597-3452.