
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SERVICE PROVIDER PROGRAM GENERAL INFORMATION

Scope

In accordance with Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) Title 18, Chapter 12, Article 8, as of December 31, 1996, no person shall perform service on an underground storage tank (UST) system in the state of Arizona unless the person is certified by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) or is working under the supervision of an individual who is certified by ADEQ.

Definitions

Tank service means installation, retrofitting, tank tightness testing, decommissioning, cathodic protection and interior lining of an UST or a part of an UST system.

Supervision means the immediate, on-site control and direction by a person certified by ADEQ of a person who is performing UST service and who is not certified by ADEQ.

Categories of Certification

Installation and Retrofit, Decommissioning, Cathodic Protection Testing, Tightness Testing, Interior Lining

Amount of Time to Approve/Deny the Application

Within fifteen days of ADEQ's receipt of the application, ADEQ must either approve the application or issue a notice of deficiency if the application is not administratively complete.

If the applicant does not cure the deficiency within thirty days of receipt of the notice of deficiency, the application is denied.

Service Provider Application Requirements

An applicant is required to submit one application per category of certification being sought.

When applying for a category of certification, an individual must submit the following information:

- A completed *Application for UST Service Provider Certification*;
- A 1 inch by 1 inch color photo of the applicant or alternatively, an emailed photo;
- Proof of qualification for the certification category being sought;
 - Proof of qualification – International Code Council certification (if required)
 - Proof of qualification – National Association of Corrosion Engineers certification (if required)

In regards to the categories of 'tightness testing' or 'interior lining', there are additional application requirements. For more information for the category of 'tightness testing', please refer to the 'Manufacturer Certification' section on this document. For more information for the category of 'interior lining', please refer to the 'Interior Lining Certification' fact sheet.

ICC and NACE Information

International Code Council (ICC)

A person qualifies for certification by ADEQ as a tank service provider if the individual holds up-to-date certification from the ICC for the category of certification being sought. Currently, ICC offers certification for the categories of installation & retrofit, decommissioning, cathodic protection testing and tightness testing.

National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE)

A person qualifies for the category of 'cathodic protection testing' without holding an ICC certification if the individual holds certification by NACE as a corrosion specialist, corrosion technologist, senior corrosion technologist, cathodic protection specialist, cathodic protection technologist, cathodic protection tester and cathodic protection technician.

Manufacturer Certification

If an applicant is applying for the category of tightness testing, the applicant must submit proof of manufacturer's certification for the use of a piece of equipment or methodology in addition to holding the ICC certification for the category of certification being sought.

Copies of each manufacturer's certification must be submitted along with the application.

Contact Information

For your reference, to make a reservation for testing examinations, please make note of the following information. You may contact the International Code Council at 800.275.8301. The National Association of Corrosion Engineers may be contacted at 281.228.6214.

Any questions regarding the ADEQ UST Service Provider Program may be directed to ServiceProvider@azdeq.gov