

Underground Storage Tank (UST) Operator Training Rules by State as of April 2017

In July 2015, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) revised UST regulations and state program approval (SPA) regulations.

The EPA UST operator training guidelines establish three classes of UST operators: Class A, B, and C Operators. The EPA requires UST owners and operators to designate:

- (a) At least one Class A and one Class B Operator for each UST system (one or more underground storage tanks, connected underground piping, underground ancillary equipment, and containment systems); and
- (b) Each individual who meets the definition of Class C Operator at the UST facility as a Class C Operator.

The revised UST regulations issued by the EPA include additional required training topics. Owners and operators must be trained on the revised training content by October 13, 2018. After this date, the EPA regulations state that new Class A and B Operators must be trained within 30 days of assuming duties. Class C Operators must be trained before assuming duties.

The EPA regulations also state that there are no retraining requirements unless the UST system is out of compliance. If an implementing agency determines the UST system is out of compliance, Class A and B Operators must be retrained no later than 30 days from the date the implementing agency determines the facility is out of compliance.

The revised SPA regulations require states to reapply if they want to maintain their SPA. Currently, 38 states plus the District of Columbia currently have SPA and have three years (October 13, 2018) to reapply in order to retain their SPA status. **Owners and operators in these states must follow their state requirements until the state changes its requirements or until the state's SPA status changes.**

Owners and operators of UST systems in Indian country and in states/territories that do not have SPA must meet the federal requirements in addition to any applicable state requirements.

The table located below indicates which states have SPA, any additional state training requirements, and contact information for each state UST regulatory implementing agency.

The information below is based on the EPA UST state program approval web page (current as of September 2016) and additional internet research of each state's UST program web page conducted in April 2017. Some assumptions have been made for the purposes of this document, so you should always review your state regulations for the specific details that your state requires for the management of UST systems. State

regulations are not consistent from state to state, but, for consistency, Class A, B, and C Operators are noted here as “Operators” rather than “operators” and any reference to “days” is assumed to mean “calendar days.”

State	State Program Approval?	State Regulation Citation	Initial Training Deadline	Notes	State UST Operator Training Information	Region
Alaska	No	18 AAC 78.008	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators may obtain classroom training or internet based training if that program provides training and evaluation of operator knowledge and provides a certificate of successful completion of the training. Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) will maintain a list of approved classroom and internet based training programs. Class A or B Operator training through the state of Alaska is not required if the individual demonstrates, to the department's satisfaction, that the individual previously successfully completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training for the operator classification for which the individual is now designated, or an examination that evaluates operator knowledge as appropriate for the operator classification for which the individual is now designated; or - Training or an examination in another state, if the department determines that the training or examination evaluates operator knowledge as appropriate for the operator classification for which the individual is now designated. <p>Class C Operators may obtain training from a facility's Class A or B Operator, or internet based training. ADEC will maintain a list of approved Internet based training programs.</p> <p>ADEC requires a Class A or B Operators to repeat training no later than 30 days after the earlier of the date that the department determines a UST for which the operator is responsible to be out of compliance or the date on which the UST failed a third-party inspection. A Class C operator must repeat training annually. If a UST undergoes an upgrade or improvement, ADEC requires a Class A, B, or C Operators to successfully complete refresher training in each area that pertains to the new equipment, as appropriate to the classification of the operator.</p> <p>For Class A and B Operators, the certificate of successful training completion must be kept at the facility for the duration of employment plus five years and be available for inspection. The Class A and B Operators must ensure ADEC receives a copy of the certificate of successful completion no later than 30 days after completion of training. If the Class C Operator receives training from a facility's Class A or B Operator, the Class A or B Operator must keep at the facility a list, in checklist form, of the subjects presented and successfully completed. The checklist must include the signatures of the trainer and Class C Operator, and must identify the date of training. If the Class C Operator receives internet based training, the Class A or B Operator must keep at the facility a certificate, from the training provider, of successful completion of the training. Records must be kept at the facility for the duration of employment plus three years and be available for inspection.</p>	907-269-3052 or 907-269-7679 Alaska UST Information	AKR

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Arizona	No	ARS 49-1083	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Training for Class A, B, and C Operators must be in a format approved by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (AZDEQ) and must include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For a Class A Operator, the requirements associated with notification, release detection, reporting requirements, financial responsibility, closure, UST performance, and delivery prohibition. - For a Class B Operator, the requirements associated with release detection, reporting requirements, underground storage tank performance, delivery prohibition, the training requirements and rule for a Class C Operator. - For a Class C Operator, initial response procedures to an alarm or other indication of an emergency caused by a release or suspected release from an UST, including procedures for contacting a Class A or B Operator and any emergency responder. <p>The AZDEQ will determine the frequency of retraining. Typically, Class A, B and C Operators must be retrained and recertified every one to three years. Class A and B Operators must be retrained if the AZDEQ determines that an UST at the facility is not equipped and operated in accordance with release detection, corrosion protection, spill prevention and overfill protection regulations.</p> <p>An owner and operator shall document that the training requirements have been met for each Class A, B or C Operator. Training must be documented on a form prescribed by the AZDEQ and must be maintained for a period of not less than three years after the training is completed. Documentation of any retraining must be maintained.</p>	602-771-2300 ext. Waste Team: UST and LUST Division Arizona UST Information	IMR

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Colorado	Yes	7 CCR1101.14, Sec. 2-3-1	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2007.</p> <p>Owners must notify the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) Department of Oil and Public Safety (DOPS) in writing within 30 days of any change of designated Class A or B operators. New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Operator training must evaluate operator knowledge for each class of operator. The following is a list of acceptable approaches to meet training requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possession of a current certificate issued by the International Code Council (ICC) indicating he or she has passed the Colorado UST System Class A or B Operator exam. - For Class C Operator training, possession of a current certificate issued by the owner indicating that he or she has successfully completed training conducted by a certified Class A or B Operator. - <u>An operator training program that has received prior approval</u>. The program may include in-class, on-line, or hands-on training. Such a program must include an evaluation of operator knowledge through testing, practical demonstration, or other tools determined as acceptable by the state. - To address operators responsible for UST systems in multiple states, CDLE DOPS may accept operator training certification verification from other states that have equivalent operator training requirements. <p>If the CDLE DOPS determines an UST system is out of compliance, the Class A and/or B Operators must be retrained and recertified within 90 days.</p> <p>Owners and operators of underground storage tank systems must maintain a list that identifies Class A, B, and C Operators and includes names, class of operator training, date assumed duties, date each operator completed initial training, and any retraining. Owners and operators must also maintain records verifying completion of training or retraining. The records, at a minimum, must identify name of trainee, date trained, operator training class completed, and list the name of the trainer or examiner and the training company name, address, and telephone number. Owners and operators must maintain these records for as long as Class A, B, and C Operators are designated. Additional requirements apply dependent on the type of training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Records from classroom or field training programs (including Class C Operator training provided by the Class A or B Operator) or a comparable examination must be signed by the trainer or examiner; - Records from computer based training must indicate the name of the training program and web address, if Internet based; and - Records of retraining must include those areas on which the Class A or B Operator has been retrained. 	303-318-8525 Colorado UST Information	IMR

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Idaho	Yes	IDAPA 58.01.07.300	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2012.</p> <p>Owners must designate Class A and B Operators and notify the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) in writing within 30 days of the designation. New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators can obtain approved training through the TankHelper training program. Class C Operators may obtain training from a facility's Class A or B Operator, or from an approved third-party company. IDEQ may accept existing training certifications if the level of training received is deemed approved.</p> <p>If the facility receives a violation, the Class A and/or B Operators must be retrained within 30 days. Retraining must focus on training the operator on the specifics of the violation and will be conducted by IDEQ at the time of the inspection that results in any violation.</p> <p>A list of designated and trained Class A, B, and C Operators must be kept at the facility.</p>	208-373-0550 Idaho UST Information	IMR
Montana	Yes/Pending	ARM 17.56.15	10/13/2018 /TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996. In the process of revising the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MTDEQ) UST Program to adopt provisions of the 2015 EPA rules to maintain SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies. A trained Class A or B Operator of an UST system may be replaced by an untrained operator if, within 30 days after assuming operation responsibilities, the new operator receives training.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operators who choose department-sponsored training must pass a MTDEQ-administered test with at least an 80 percent score. Alternatively, Class C Operators that choose to receive training by a trained Class A or B Operator must successfully complete a practical demonstration or other evaluation procedure determined to be acceptable by the department. Operator training by a third-party provider does not satisfy training requirements unless the department has approved the provider's instructors and courses. If a Class A or B Operator has completed operator training in another state, the department may approve the training if the training requirements of the other state are at least as stringent as Montana's state training requirements.</p> <p>If the department determines that an UST system does not meet significant operational compliance requirements for release prevention and release detection measures, the appropriate operators must be retrained. Retraining must include the subjects in which the UST system was found to be not in significant compliance. Retraining must occur within a reasonable timeframe set forth in a MTDEQ-approved corrective action plan after the MTDEQ's determination that an UST system is not in compliance.</p> <p>Owners or operators shall maintain records documenting the training received for all of their UST system operators.</p>	406-444-5300 Montana UST Information	IMR

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New Mexico	Yes/Pending	NMAC 20.5.18	10/13/2018 /TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996. In the process of revising the New Mexico Petroleum Storage Tank regulations to adopt provisions of the 2015 EPA rules to maintain SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 60 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. Owners and operators in rural and remote areas of the state may apply for a 60-day deferral of this requirement. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Operator training by a third-party provider does not satisfy training requirements unless the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has approved the provider's instructors and courses. Training or certification from any other state or territory does not qualify an operator to be certified for the state of New Mexico.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must be retrained and recertified every five years, in the same manner as original training and certification. If the NMED finds that a storage tank system is out of compliance, the class A and B Operator must be retrained and recertified within 60 days. The Class A and B Operator may select training specific only to the area of noncompliance (if available) or attend a training program that includes all required training elements. An owner may elect to retrain and recertify Class A and B Operators annually for a storage tank system. Class A and B Operators that are retrained and recertified annually need not retrain and recertify as required if the NMED finds the storage tank system is out of compliance. No retraining and recertification is required for class C Operators. Class C Operators must be trained and certified each time they are designated for a particular storage tank system.</p> <p>Owners and operators must maintain written verification of training for Class A, B, and C Operators at every storage tank system for all designated certified operators, and make the written verification available for review when requested.</p>	505-476-4397 New Mexico UST Information	IMR
Oklahoma	Yes	OAC 165:25-1, Part 19	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must complete the Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC) Petroleum Storage Tank Division (PSTD) Operator Training Program to become certified. Trainees must complete three training sections and pass each section with a score of at least 80%. Class C Operators must receive site specific training from a certified Class A or B Operator. The OCC PSTD will review and accept training received in other states on a case-by-case basis.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must be recertified every three years. Class B Operators must be recertified within 30 days in any areas that are determined to be out of compliance with requirements for release prevention and/or release detection.</p> <p>Owners or operators must provide the OCC PSTD with documentation for all operator classes.</p>	405-521-4683 Oklahoma UST Information	IMR

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Texas	Yes	30 TAC 334, Subchapter N	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and Class B Operators must complete a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) approved operator training course or process. Courses or processes may include in-person or on-line training performed by, contracted for, or approved by the TCEQ, and must include an evaluation of operator knowledge through testing, practical demonstration, or other tools deemed acceptable by the TCEQ. Class B Operators must provide training or ensure that the UST facility's Class C Operators otherwise complete training in emergency procedures. Class C Operator training programs may include in-class, hands-on, on-line, or any other training format deemed acceptable by the Class B Operator. Class A and Class B Operators must ensure that site-specific emergency procedures are maintained in an easily accessible location at the UST facility which is immediately available to the Class C Operator, and that site-specific notices that include the location of emergency shut-off devices and appropriate emergency contact telephone numbers are posted in a prominent area at the UST facility that is easily visible to the Class C Operator. Class C Operator training is only applicable at the specific facility for which the training was provided. A designated Class B Operator for a given facility must provide the facility owner or operator with signed and dated written verification in the form of a list of all Class C Operators who have been trained for that facility, which includes the date of that training.</p> <p>Certified Class A, B, and C Operators must be retrained within three years of their last training date. If an UST facility receives a notice of violation and the TCEQ determines that the UST facility is in significant noncompliance, the designated Class B Operators for that UST facility, must attend either a TCEQ approved compliance class that addresses the noted noncompliant areas or an acceptable operator training course within the time frame specified by the TCEQ for that violation. Class B Operators are not, however, required to attend such training more than once every 12 months, regardless of the number of their designated facilities found in violation.</p> <p>Owners and operators must ensure that training certificates are maintained at each facility, with copies of initial or new certificates provided to the TCEQ at the time that annual self-certification is required for that facility. Owners and operators must ensure that a current and correct list of trained Class C Operators is maintained at each facility. Documentation may be maintained electronically off-site if that facility has the capability of producing a clear printed copy which can be provided to a TCEQ or TCEQ-authorized investigator within 72 hours of the time of the investigation. Owners and operators of unmanned facilities must provide documentation as requested by a TCEQ investigator or TCEQ-authorized investigator.</p>	512-239-2160 Texas UST Information	IMR

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Utah	Yes	R311-201-12	Q	<p>SPA granted in 1995.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Applicants for Class A and B Operator registration must successfully complete an approved operator training course within the six-month period prior to application. Applicants for Class A and B Operator registration must successfully pass a registration examination authorized by the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UTDEQ). An individual applying for Class A or B Operator registration may be exempted from meeting these requirements by completing the following within the six-month period prior to application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Successfully passing a nationally recognized UST operator examination approved by the UTDEQ, and - Successfully passing a Utah UST rules and regulations examination authorized by the UTDEQ. <p>Class C Operators must be designated by a Class B Operator. Class C Operators must receive instruction in product transfer procedures, emergency response, and initial response to alarms and releases. A registered Class A or B Operator may act as a Class C Operator by meeting the training and registration requirements for a Class C Operator. If the UTDEQ determines that another state's operator training program is equivalent to the Utah operator training program, the UTDEQ may accept an applicant's Class A or Class B registration application, provided that the applicant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submits a completed application form; - Passes the Utah UST rules and regulations examination; and - Submits payment of any applicable registration fees. <p>Class A and B Operators must be recertified every three years and must apply for renewal of registration not more than six months prior to the expiration of the registration. Any applicant for renewal who has a registration that has been expired for more than two years prior to submitting a renewal application must successfully satisfy the training and examination requirements for initial registration before receiving the renewal registration. If the UTDEQ finds that a UST facility is out of compliance, Class A and Class B Operators must successfully complete the appropriate Class A or B Operator training course and examination, or complete an equivalent retraining course and examination approved by the UTDEQ. Class A and B Operators shall be retrained within 90 days of the date of the determination of noncompliance, and must submit documentation showing successful completion of the retraining to the UTDEQ within 30 days of the retraining. If the documentation is not received by the UTDEQ within 120 days of the date of the determination of noncompliance, the Class A or B Operator's registration will lapse.</p> <p>The Class B Operator must maintain a list identifying the Class C Operators for each UST facility. The list must identify each Class C Operator, the date of training, and the trainer. Identification on the list will serve as the operator registration for Class C Operators.</p>	801-536-4400 Utah UST Information	IMR

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Wyoming	No	DEQ WQD Ch. 17, Sec. 46	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 90 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies. When a licensed operator is no longer responsible for the facility, the facility owner or operator must notify the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ) in writing within 30 days of the date the operator is no longer responsible for the facility.</p> <p>To obtain a Class A and Class B Storage Tank Operator’s license from WDEQ, the individual must submit documentary evidence that he or she has passed the following tests within the five years preceding the application date: - <i>UST Operators</i>. The International Code Council test “ICC BU Class B UST System Operator Exam” (Class B for UST operators); and/or - <i>AST Operators</i>. The International Code Council test “Wyoming AST System Operators – ICC Test W-5” (Class B for AST operators); or - In lieu of both of the above tests, the International Code Council test “Wyoming State Specific Storage Tank Laws – ICC Test W-6” (Class A operators).</p> <p>Managers and fuel clerks who work at a service station or convenience store, but who are not in responsible charge of the location, must be trained on emergency response procedures by the Class A or B Operator. The Class C Operator must notify the Class A or Class B Operator for his or her facility whenever there has been a release of regulated substances. After evaluation of the other state or city’s licensing requirements, the WDEQ may accept a license from any adjacent state or any city in Wyoming in lieu of the ICC test requirement.</p> <p>Persons who are licensed as UST Operators must renew their license every five years. When a NOV and Order is issued to a facility, the Class B Operator must be retrained. Retraining must be in the form of retaking (if previously taken) or taking (if not previously taken) and passing the “Wyoming State Specific Storage Tank Laws – ICC Test W-6” exam. The Class B Operator must take this test within 90 days of the NOV date. If there is more than one Class B Operator for the facility, at a minimum one of the Class B Operators must take the exam.</p> <p>Tank owners must maintain on-site a list of designated and trained Class C Operators. The owner or operator must maintain a copy of the monthly inspection checklist and all attachments for the previous 12 months. The records must be maintained onsite or off-site at a readily available location within the State of Wyoming.</p>	307-777-7937 Wyoming UST Information	IMR

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Arkansas	Yes	APC&EC Reg. 12, Ch. 7	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators can be certified through an approved exam and/or training program with exam. To be certified as a Class A or B Operator, an individual must pass a written examination approved by and given by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) with a score of 70% or higher. A Class C Operator must be trained by an ADEQ-certified Class A or B Operator, and the training must be specific to the facility at which the Class C Operator is employed. The ADEQ may accept Class A or B Operator certification from another state with an EPA-recognized operator training program.</p> <p>If the ADEQ determines an UST facility has been identified as ineligible for fuel delivery, both the designated Class A Operator and the designated Class B Operator for that facility must complete ADEQ-provided retraining and be recertified within 45 days of the facility being identified as ineligible for fuel delivery.</p> <p>An owner or operator must maintain records documenting the training or certification for all Class A, B, and C Operators at the UST facility or at a readily available alternative location and must provide the records for inspection to the ADEQ upon request.</p>	501-682-0997 or 501-682-0993 Arkansas UST Information	MWR

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Illinois	No	41 IAC 176, Subpart F	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA. In the process of revising the Office of the State Fire Marshall (OSFM) UST Tank regulations to adopt provisions of the 2015 EPA rules.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>A Class A, B or C Operator satisfies state training requirements by completing both training and an examination as determined to be appropriate by OSFM. This may be internet, computer software, live or equivalent training and examination so long as the training and examination is approved by OSFM in advance.</p> <p>All Class A, B and C Operators must also complete continuing education and training requirements and a general examination once every two years, with the deadline for the completion of the training and examination to be no later than the two-year anniversary date or the last retraining in response to an NOV, whichever is later. Class A or B Operators may retrain Class C Operators so long as the training and examination administered to the Class C Operators has been approved in advance by OSFM and otherwise meets the requirements. If the OSFM determines an UST facility to be out of compliance, both the designated Class A Operator and the designated Class B Operator for that facility must complete retraining within 60 days of the facility being identified as ineligible for fuel delivery. When the NOV pertains to a failure to complete the training and testing, the owner must have evidence of completed training and testing at the facility and available for inspection within 30 calendar days after receipt of the NOV.</p> <p>The following records must be maintained and readily available at each UST facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A list of the designated current Class A, B and C Operators for the UST facility; - A copy of the current testing certificates showing the name of the trainee, date trained and operator class for all current Class A, B and C Operators; - A copy of the current Class C Operator instructions or procedures; - A copy of the written UST facility operation and maintenance plan and all quarterly inspection checklists used by the certified operators for the past two years; and - Any evidence of completed retraining. 	217-785-1020 Illinois UST Information	MWR

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Indiana	Yes	329 IAC 9-9	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2006.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies. An incoming designated Class A or Class B Operator at an existing facility that has compliance deficiencies documented by the department must be certified before assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities at a UST system facility.</p> <p>A person seeking to be certified as a Class A or Class B Operator must complete the online training and operator knowledge evaluation course provided by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) that relates to the responsibilities of the Class A or Class B Operator. Class C Operator training must be conducted as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A certified Class A or Class B Operator may provide training or may authorize training for a Class C Operator employed at the UST system facility where the Class A or Class B Operator is a designated operator. A Class A or B Operator is not required to obtain approval from the IDEM prior to providing training or authorizing training for a Class C Operator. - Trainers of Class C Operators must use instructional materials covering the state requirements. - The trainer and the designated Class A or Class B Operator must sign a certification provided by the IDEM online verifying that the Class C Operator has been successfully trained by a qualified trainer and is certified for three years from the date of the training. <p>Class A, B, and C Operators must receive full refresher training and be recertified every three years. For Class A, B, and C Operators, retraining and recertification must be accomplished prior to the expiration of the certificate. If the IDEM determines a UST facility is not in compliance, the Class A, B, or C Operator must go through retraining and be recertified when the deficiencies demonstrate the need for retraining and recertification. The Class A, B, or C Operator must complete retraining and be recertified within 30 days of notification by the IDEM that the operator or operators must be retrained. Failure to timely complete retraining will void the operator's certified status until the operator is retrained and recertified. An operator that is recertified through retraining due to a deficiency is recertified for a period of three years.</p> <p>Owners and operators must maintain records identifying designated and certified Class A, B, and C Operators of each UST system.</p>	317-234-0357 Indiana UST Information	MWR

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Iowa	Yes	567 IAC 135.4(6)	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1995.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A, B, and C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Individuals must attend an Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) approved training course covering material designated for each operator class. Individuals must attend every session of the training, take the examination, and attend examination review. A Class A or B Operator may provide Class C Operator training. The IDNR may waive the training course for operators upon a showing of successful completion of a training course and examination approved by another state or regulatory agency that the IDNR determines are substantially equivalent to the UST requirements for the state of Iowa.</p> <p>When a facility is found to be out of compliance, IDNR may require the owner and operator to retrain the designated UST system Class A, B, or C Operator under a plan approved by the IDNR. The retraining must occur within 60 days from IDNR notice for Class A and B Operators and within 15 days for Class C Operators.</p> <p>Written emergency response instructions and procedures must be readily available on site. A list of designated operators and a copy of their certificates of training must be on file, available at each facility for which the operator is responsible, and readily available for inspection. Class A and B operator contact information, including names and telephone numbers and any emergency information, must also be conspicuously posted at unstaffed facilities near the dispensers and the station building.</p>	515-725-8200 Iowa UST Information	MWR
Kansas	Yes	K.S.A. 65-34,135	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1994.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Training programs for Class A, B, and C Operators must be approved by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). Storage tank operators must demonstrate that they have completed the training required by the KDHE in order to obtain an annual permit for the operation of underground storage tanks.</p> <p>Refresher training will be required every four years for UST Operators that have not changed positions in their places of work or have not received duties requiring additional responsibility. Mandatory retraining may be required if KDHE determines that a facility has operated UST without permits, or the USTs at that facility are found to be out of compliance with state and federal UST regulations. Operators of USTs must repeat the applicable training if the tank for which they have primary daily on-site management responsibilities is determined to be out of compliance with a requirement or a standard of the IDNR.</p>	785-296-1678 Kansas UST Information	MWR

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Michigan	No	R 29.2108	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>NOTE: Michigan does not have an operator training requirement for Class A and B Operators; however, the state does require Class A and B Operators to pass an exam.</p> <p>All new Class A Operators must obtain an ICC Class A certificate within 30 days of purchase of a regulated facility. A Class A Operator must possess a current certificate issued ICC indicating he or she has passed the Michigan Class A Operator exam. A Class B Operator must be identified immediately before a facility can operate. The Class B Operator must maintain a current certificate issued from ICC indicating he or she has passed the Michigan Class B Operator exam. Class C Operators shall be trained by the facility Class B Operator, or other acceptable training source.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must renew their ICC certification by applying with ICC for recertification every five years.</p> <p>A Class A Operator of an UST(s) that has been determined to be out of compliance with significant operational compliance requirements, financial responsibility, fees, or other requirements as determined by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (MILARA), and is noted from a facility inspection report issued by a hazardous materials storage inspector, the Class A Operator must receive on-site retraining by a hazardous materials storage inspector. If the facility is brought back into compliance within a period not to exceed 60 days, no further action is required. A Class A Operator who does not bring his or her regulated UST systems back into compliance within 60 days must take the ICC examination for a Class A Operator again.</p> <p>Each owner/operator must maintain a list of trained Class C Operators for each facility and the date(s) of such training. This list must be maintained at the facility, kept up to date and available to the MILARA upon request.</p>	517-332-1428 Michigan UST Information	MWR

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Minnesota	Yes	7150.0211	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2001.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must pass a Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)-administered examination verifying operator knowledge of the UST system with a score of 75% or higher. If the Class A or B Operator does not receive a passing score of 75% or higher on the examination, the Class A or B Operator must attend a MPCA-approved training course and retake and pass a MPCA-administered examination within 60 days. If a designated Class A or B Operator is certified in another state as a Class A or B Operator for USTs, the owner or operator may apply for a waiver of the examination requirement. Class C Operators are required to be trained by a Class A or Class B Operator. The Class C Operator is not required to pass an exam, however he/she must be trained in the appropriate emergency response procedures.</p> <p>The Class B Operator must retake the examination within 30 days after a change in any of the following tank system components:ank or piping construction material;ank or piping release detection method; or- Type of cathodic protection system.</p> <p>If the MPCA determines that the owner or operator of a tank system is not operating in compliance with state regulations, the Class B Operator of the tank system must attend a MPCA-approved training course and retake and pass a MPCA-administered examination within 60 days after notification.</p>	651-297-8664 Minnesota UST Information	MWR

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Missouri	Yes	10 CSR 100-6.010	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2004.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>To be a Qualified Class A/B Operator, an individual must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be certified as a Class A or Class A/B Operator in one of the following states: Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Kentucky, or Tennessee; or - Pass a test offered by the Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund Board of Trustees, which is available via the Internet at no cost to UST owners and operators. <p>To be a Qualified Class C Operator, an individual must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be certified as a Class C Operator in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Kentucky, or Tennessee; - Be trained by a Qualified Class A/B Operator; or - Pass a test offered by the Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund Board of Trustees, which is available via the internet at no cost to UST owners and operators. <p>If the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) determines an UST system is out of compliance, owners/operators must, within 90 days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure that the designated Class A/B Operator for that UST either demonstrates an understanding of compliance requirements by passing a test offered by the Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund Board of Trustees or demonstrating to the satisfaction of the MDNR that he/she understands compliance requirements; - Assign a new Qualified Class A/B Operator for that UST; or - Properly and permanently close the UST. 	573-751-6822 Missouri UST Information	MWR

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Nebraska	Yes	159 NAC 13	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2002.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must attend and successfully complete an Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM)-approved training course that covers material designated for each operator class. A Class A or Class B Operator may provide Class C Operator training. Class C Operator training must include written procedures for the Class C Operator, including reporting instructions necessary in the event of emergency conditions. No reciprocity will be granted and no training from any other state or territory will qualify an operator to be certified, unless written documentation is provided to the OSFM showing the training requirements of the state of Nebraska were met.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must be retrained every five years. Class C Operators must be retrained every three years. All must be retrained in the same manner as the original training. In addition to the retraining requirement, if an UST system is found to be out of compliance, the OSFM may require retraining of the designated Class A, B or C Operator. The retraining must occur within 60 days from the OSFM notice for Class A or B Operators and within 15 days for Class C Operators.</p> <p>Written basic operating instruction, emergency contact names and phone numbers, and basic procedures specific to the facility must be readily available on site. A list of designated operators and a copy of their certificates of training must be on file, available at each facility for which the operator is responsible, and readily available for inspection. Class A and B Operator contact information, including names and telephone numbers and any emergency information, must also be conspicuously posted at unstaffed facilities near the dispensers and the station building.</p>	402-471-9465 Nebraska UST Information	MWR

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North Dakota	Yes	32-24-08-45 through 32-24-08-48	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1995.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Owners or operators must notify the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDOH) and provide the name of the designated Class A and B Operator for each UST facility owned. The owner or operator must also notify the NDDOH of any change of designated Class A or B Operators within 30 days of the change. Training of UST system operators must be performed by the NDDOH or by a third-party trainer approved by the NDDOH, except that a trained Class A or B Operator may train a Class C Operator. The NDDOH may accept operator training certification verification from other states that have equivalent operator training requirements.</p> <p>If the NDDOH determines an UST tank system is out of compliance, the Class A or B Operator, or both, must be retrained within 90 days or another reasonable period of time determined by the NDDOH.</p> <p>Documentation identifying the designated Class C Operators shall be maintained at each facility.</p>	701-328-5166 North Dakota UST Information	MWR
Ohio	No	OAC 1301:7-9-19	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 60 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>All designated Class A and B Operators must be trained by a trainer approved by the Division of the State Fire Marshal (DSFM). An evaluation to Class A and B Operators at the start of training and a second evaluation to Class A and B Operators at the end of training must be administered by the trainer. Trainers of Class C Operators must administer an evaluation to Class C Operators at the end of training.</p> <p>The Class B Operator of an UST site shall undergo retraining if an operating UST at the site is found to have a violation. Retraining by the Class B Operator must occur within 60 days of the issuance of the violation.</p> <p>Owners and operators must maintain documentation identifying Class A, B, and C Operators, and maintain proof of training of Class A, B, and C Operators for an UST site in the form of certificates issued.</p>	614-752-7938 Ohio UST Information	MWR

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South Dakota	Yes	ARSD 74:56:01:38.01	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1995.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (SDDENR) accepts the following Class A/B training programs as approved programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SDDENR's operator training workshop; - Operator training courses conducted by other states if they meet SDDENR's curriculum standards and objectives; - Operator training courses conducted by a third party provider if they meet SDDENR's curriculum standards and objectives; - A national testing agency that certifies an operator has successfully completed a UST operator exam. <p>Tank owners must provide training for Class C Operators and Class C Operators must be trained to address emergencies presented by a spill or release from an UST system.</p> <p>The tank owner must designate in writing the Class C Operator for the facility and keep copies of all designations on file at the facility. SDDENR will verify the document during the facility inspections.</p>	605-773-3296 South Dakota UST Information	MWR
Wisconsin	No	ATCP 93, Subchapter 8	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>To be a Qualified Class A/B Operator, an individual must have either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A certificate issued by the ICC showing an individual has passed the Wisconsin UST operator examination; or - Written proof of successful completion of an equivalent, alternate operator training and testing program that has received prior approval from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (WDATCP). <p>Alternate programs will include an evaluation of operator knowledge through testing, practical demonstration or other tools that the WDATCP determines are acceptable.</p> <p>Class C Operators must obtain training and a certificate from the accredited Class A or B facility operator where the Class C Operator is employed indicating the Class C Operator has successfully completed training for the facility. For Class A and B Operators, the WDATCP may accept operator training verification from other states that have equivalent operator training requirements.</p> <p>If the WDATCP determines that an UST system is not in significant compliance, the Class B Operator must be retrained within 60 days, in the areas that are determined to not be in compliance, unless otherwise directed by the WDATCP.</p> <p>The owner or operator must maintain operator documentation at the UST system site and have it immediately available for inspection.</p>	608-224-4938 Wisconsin UST Information	MWR

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District of Columbia	Yes	20 DCMR 6502	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1997.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Successful completion of training for Class A and B Operators means attendance for the entire training course and demonstration of knowledge of the course material as follows:</p> <p>(a) Receipt of a passing grade (80% or higher) on an examination containing material presented in the training course; or demonstration to the trainer at the conclusion of on-site training, through practical (hands-on) application, of operation and maintenance checks of UST equipment, including performance of release detection at the UST facility; and</p> <p>(b) Receipt of a training certificate by an approved trainer upon verification of successful completion of training course.</p> <p>Class A or B Operators may provide training to Class C Operators or this may be done by an external training provider. At a minimum, training provided by the Class A or B Operator must enable the Class C Operator to take action in response to emergencies or alarms caused by spills or releases from a UST system. Training must include written instructions or procedures for the Class C Operator to follow and to provide notification necessary in the event of emergency conditions. Class A or B Operators may meet the operator training requirements by presenting proof of successful completion of Class A and B Operator training from another state.</p> <p>After the initial training, Class C Operators shall be briefed by the Class A or B Operator, on these instructions or procedures at least annually (every 12 months). All operators designated as Class A and/or Class B for a petroleum UST system that has been determined to be out of compliance are required to repeat the training applicable to the area(s) with which the UST system has not complied. Operators must complete the required retraining within a reasonable time, not to exceed 60 days of being notified that the UST system is out of compliance.</p> <p>A copy of the following documentation must be on-site, and readily available for inspection at the facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Certificates of training for Class A and B Operators; - A copy of the facility list of Class A, B, and C Operators; and - Class C Operator instructions or procedures. 	202-535-2326 District of Columbia UST Information	NCR

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Maryland	Yes	COMAR 26.10.16	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1992.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operators must receive training and certification from a <u>department-approved training program</u>. Successful completion of training for a Class A or B Operator must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Attendance of 100% during the certification program; and - A score of 80% or better on a written competency test of the information presented. <p>Alternatively, a certified Class A or B Operator may train and certify a Class C Operator for that facility so long as the training meets minimum training requirements. Successful completion of training for a Class C Operator must include the above requirements in addition to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrating to a Class A or B Operator of the facility an understanding of emergency procedures, alarm response, release response, and release reporting; and - Written verification from the Class A or B Operator of compliance with emergency procedures, alarm response, release response, and release reporting that must be maintained with the Class C's Operator certificate and the owner's records. <p>The MDE may allow a Class A or B Operator certification from another state to satisfy training and certification requirements if the individual can demonstrate that the operator certification requirements and the UST regulations where the individual is presently certified are at least as stringent as Maryland's state requirements.</p> <p>If the MDE determines a UST facility is not in compliance, the owner shall submit written verification to MDE within 60 days that retraining is completed. A Class C Operator certification is facility specific and is not valid at another UST facility.</p> <p>The owner of a UST facility must maintain the following records for five years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A list of certified Class A, B, and C Operators currently employed by the owner; - Copies of operator training certificates; and - Copies of inspection records. 	410-537-3442 Maryland UST Information	NCR

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Virginia	Yes	9 VAC25-580-125	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1998.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 60 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operators must receive training and certification from a <u>department-approved training program</u>. Successful completion of training for a Class A or B Operator must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completion of the entire training course and demonstration of knowledge of course material; - A score of 80% or higher on an examination of material presented in the training course, or a demonstration through practical application; and - Receipt of a training certificate by an approved trainer. <p>The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) may recognize successful completion of Class A and B Operator training on regulatory standards consistent with 40 CFR 280. Written instructions or procedures must be provided to Class C Operators to follow and to provide notification necessary in the event of emergency conditions.</p> <p>If the VDEQ determines a UST facility is not in compliance, Class A and/or B Operators must be retrained within 90 days in any areas that are determined to be out of compliance with requirements for release prevention and/or release detection. Class C Operators must be briefed on emergency instructions or procedures at least annually.</p> <p>Owners and operators of UST facilities must maintain the following records:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A list of designated Class A, B, and C Operators; and - Copies of Class A and B Operator training certificates for a minimum of three years. 	804-698-4322 Virginia UST Information	NCR
West Virginia	Yes	33 CSR 30-7	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1997.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operators must receive training and certification from a department-approved training program. Training or certification from any other state or territory does not qualify an operator to be certified for the state of West Virginia.</p> <p>If West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) determines a UST facility is not in compliance, WVDEP will determine whether Class A, B, or both classes of operators require retraining based on the compliance issues observed.</p> <p>Each Class A and B Operator must carry proof of training during duty hours, and each Class C Operator must have proof of training present at the location where the Class C Operator is on duty.</p>	304-926-0495 West Virginia UST Information	NCR

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Connecticut	Yes	Sec. 22a-449(d)-108	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1995.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators can be certified through an approved exam and/or training program with exam. Class C Operators can be certified through an approved training course or training provided by a certified Class A or B Operator. The following operator training programs are deemed approved by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CTDEEP):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For Class A Operator training, certification as a Connecticut Class A UST System Operator by the ICC every two years. - For Class B Operator training, certification as a Connecticut Class B UST System Operator by the ICC every two years. - For Class C Operator training, training provided by the designated Class A or Class B Operator at the UST facility. Such training shall include a physical tour of the UST facility, instruction regarding the alarm enunciation panel and appropriate responses to emergencies and alarms as set forth in the posted operator response guidelines. The CTDEEP may also approve Class A, B, and C Operator training programs conducted by other states or the ICC so long as the training program meets the state of Connecticut's requirements at a minimum. <p>Following the initial training, retraining or refresher training for Class A, B, and C Operators must be completed at least every two years. If the CTDEEP determines that a UST or UST system is not in compliance, then the CTDEEP will order that the responsible Class A, B, or C Operator assigned to that UST or UST system be retrained and recertified in accordance with an approved training program, no later than 30 days after being so ordered or within another time frame specified by the CTDEEP.</p>	860-424-3374 Connecticut UST Information	NER
Delaware	Yes	7 Admin Code 1351(A)(10)	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 45 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DEDNREC)-approved training for Class A and B Operators is currently offered at the Delaware Technical & Community College (DTCC) Stanton, Dover, and Georgetown campuses. There are not separate classes for A and B certification. Completion of the class certifies you as both an A and B Operator. Pre-Registration is required and must be made through DTCC. Cost of the program is \$199. Owners and Operators must submit to the DEDNREC a list of the individuals designated as the Class A and B Operator for each UST system. Individuals designated as a Class A or B Operator in another state may comply with the training requirements of the state of Delaware by successfully completing a written assessment approved by the DEDNREC.</p>	302-395-2500 Delaware UST Information	NER

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Maine	Yes	06-096 CMR 693	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies. In addition, if the registered method of leak detection or overfill prevention at a facility is changed, the designated Class A, B and C Operators for that facility must be retrained and recertified within 30 days of the change. All Class A, Class B and Class A/B certificates will expire within 30 days of any change in the registered method of leak detection or overfill prevention at a facility unless the requirements for retraining and recertification are met.</p> <p>The Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MEDEP) has developed and administers a combined (Class A and B) training program for UST facilities that includes an examination to evaluate operator knowledge in each subject area. Class C operators must be trained by a Maine certified Class A Operator or a Maine certified Class B Operator using a training checklist provided or approved by the MEDEP.</p> <p>All designated Class A, B, and C Operators must be retrained and recertified every two years. If the MEDEP determines that a facility is out of compliance with applicable statutes and rules, the designated Class A and B Operators for that facility must be retrained and recertified within 30 days of the determination. The MEDEP may require the use of a specific retraining and recertification program for Class A and B Operators required to be retrained after a finding of noncompliance. All Class A, Class B and Class A/B certificates will expire within 30 days of the MEDEP's determination of noncompliance unless the requirements for retraining and recertification are met. An owner may elect to retrain and recertify designated Class A and B Operators every year. Class A and B Operators that are retrained and recertified every year need not retrain and recertify if the MEDEP determines that a facility is out of compliance.</p> <p>A copy of the certificates for Class A and B Operators must be kept at each facility where the operator has oversight responsibilities for three years. Each facility must also maintain a Class C Operator training record that documents all current Class C Operators employed at the facility.</p>	207-287-7688 Maine UST Information	NER

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Maryland	Yes	COMAR 26.10.16	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1992.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operators must receive training and certification from a <u>department-approved training program</u>. Successful completion of training for a Class A or B Operator must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Attendance of 100% during the certification program; and - A score of 80% or better on a written competency test of the information presented. <p>Alternatively, a certified Class A or B Operator may train and certify a Class C Operator for that facility so long as the training meets minimum training requirements. Successful completion of training for a Class C Operator must include the above requirements in addition to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrating to a Class A or B Operator of the facility an understanding of emergency procedures, alarm response, release response, and release reporting; and - Written verification from the Class A or B Operator of compliance with emergency procedures, alarm response, release response, and release reporting that must be maintained with the Class C's Operator certificate and the owner's records. <p>The MDE may allow a Class A or B Operator certification from another state to satisfy training and certification requirements if the individual can demonstrate that the operator certification requirements and the UST regulations where the individual is presently certified are at least as stringent as Maryland's state requirements.</p> <p>If MDE determines a UST facility is not in compliance, the owner shall submit written verification to MDE within 60 days that retraining is completed. A Class C Operator certification is facility specific and is not valid at another UST facility.</p> <p>The owner of a UST facility must maintain the following records for five years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A list of certified Class A, B, and C Operators currently employed by the owner; - Copies of operator training certificates; and - Copies of inspection records. 	410-537-3442 Maryland UST Information	NER

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Massachusetts	Yes	310 CMR 80.37	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1995.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A Operators must demonstrate knowledge of UST systems in general and all applicable state regulations by taking and passing an operator examination, as required by the Massachusetts Department of Energy and Environmental Affairs (MADEEA). Requirements to be certified as a Class A Operator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Obtain training which may include on-the-job training; and - Take and pass an operator examination. <p>Class B Operators shall demonstrate knowledge of UST systems in general and all applicable state regulations by taking and passing an operator examination, as required by the MADEEA. Requirements to be certified as a Class B Operator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Obtain training which may include on-the-job training; and - Take and pass an operator examination. <p>Any individual who takes and fails any operator examination three times within six months is prohibited from taking any operator examination for six months from the third failure. In order to be certified as a Class C Operator, the Owner or Operator must document that an individual was trained by a Class A or B Operator. The training must be site specific and must include, at a minimum, the actions to take in response to alarms or other indications of emergencies caused by leaks or releases from an UST system. Class A and B Operators with current certification from another state may be certified in Massachusetts if the operator is trained in accordance with the state of Massachusetts requirements and passes the Massachusetts-specific portion of the operator examination.</p> <p>If the MADEEA determines that a UST system is out of compliance with applicable state regulations, the MADEEA may require that the owner or operator provide retraining for one or more Class A, B or C Operator(s) and/or require that one or more Class A or B Operator(s) retake and pass the operator examination.</p> <p>The owner or operator must document that Class A, B, and C Operators have received training and must that keep that documentation and certificates for at least two years after the Class A and B Operators are no longer designated in hard copy or electronically. The owner or operator must also maintain a list of the designated Class A, B and C Operator(s) for each UST system or facility in hard copy or electronically.</p>	617-556-1035 ext. 2 Massachusetts UST Information	NER

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New Hampshire	Yes	RSA 146-C:17-21	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1991.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>The following operator training programs are deemed approved by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For Class A Operator training, current certification as an UST facility operator by the ICC. - For Class B Operator training, current certification as an UST facility system installer or retrofitter by the ICC. - For Class C Operator training, training to take appropriate action in responding to emergencies and alarms, a physical tour of the facility, and training in reading the alarm enunciation panel by the designated trained Class A or B Operator at the facility; provided that, after the initial training, there is at least biennial retraining or refresher training. <p>If the NHDES determines that a facility is not in significant operational compliance then the NHDES will direct that the responsible Class A or B Operator be retrained and recertified in accordance with an approved training program, within 30 days or within another time frame specified by the NHDES.</p>	603-271-0673 New Hampshire UST Information	NER

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New Jersey	No	NJAC 7:14B	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>To become a Class A or Class B operator in New Jersey, a person must attend a class at Rutgers University and pass an International Code Council (ICC) examination. All individuals who need to be trained will be required to attend a class administered by DEP and held at Rutgers University. Completion of the A/B operator training program requires passing the Class A/B operator examination given by the ICC.</p> <p>An owner and operator of an UST system may designate a Class A or Class B operator who has completed training and successfully passed an authorized evaluation in another state provided the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - When designating the Class A or Class B operator, the owner and operator of the UST system shall submit formal documentation to the Department as part of the New Jersey Underground Storage Tank Facility Certification Questionnaire. Formal documentation can consist of: official training/examination certifications issued by another state or states; or training/examination certification issued by the third party or parties approved by other states. The training/examination certification shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Department that the Class A or Class B operator has successfully completed training and successfully passed an authorized evaluation for which the owner or operator is seeking designation; - The Department determines that the operator training program and evaluation method which the Class A or Class B operator completed and passed in the other state is significantly comparable to the Department's training program or evaluation method for the class of operator for which the owner or operator seeks designation; and - The Class A or Class B operator is currently in good standing in that state(s) in the operator class for which the owner or operator is seeking designation. <p>If the Department determines that an UST system is out of compliance with a significant requirement, the Department will require retraining and retesting (as applicable) of the designated Class A and/or Class B operators of the UST system. Retraining is to be completed no later than 30 days from the date the Department advises the facility of significant or repetitive non-compliance, or within an alternate timeframe as agreed to by the Department.</p> <p>The owner and operator shall maintain records that document the training, and retraining if applicable, completed by each designated Class A, Class B, and Class C operator. The records for each operator shall be maintained as long as the operator is designated for the facility. The training records shall be maintained on paper or electronically, and shall be made available for on-site inspection by the Department upon request. The training record shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify each Class A, Class B and Class C operator for the facility at the time of the Department's request to inspect the records, including the name, the operator training he or she completed, date(s) of initial training and any retraining or refresher training, and the trainer's name and contact information; - Include, at a minimum, the name and signature of the trainer for classroom or field training programs (including Class C operator training provided by the Class A or Class B operator); - Indicate, at a minimum, the name of the computer-based training program and web address, if Internet based; and - Include the subjects on which the Class A or Class B operator completed retraining, if applicable. 	609-633-0737 New Jersey UST Information	NER

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New York	No	6 NYCRR 613-2.5	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Operators must be trained and must pass a New York Department of Environmental Conservation (NYDEC)-administered exam that demonstrates their competence to operate these tank systems. NYDEC offers the authorization exam online. Examinees that do not pass the exam may retake it, but no more than a total of three times in the last six-months, including the latest attempt. Exams may not be retaken more than once every 24 hours. Class A and B Operators who possess a current and valid operator training credential issued by any other state government that administers an exam acceptable to the NYDEC will be considered to be in compliance with the training requirements for the state of New York.</p> <p>Class A or B Operators designated for UST systems that are determined by the NYDEC to be in significant noncompliance must be retested. Any reliance on previously obtained operator training credentials issued by another state will not be accepted by the NYDEC. Class A or B Operators must be retested within 30 days after the date the NYDEC determines that a UST system is in significant noncompliance. Alternatively, the owner may designate a different Class A or B Operator for the UST systems determined by the NYDEC to be in significant noncompliance.</p> <p>Every facility must maintain a list of designated Class A, B, and C Operators and maintain records (paper or electronic) verifying that training and testing have been successfully completed. The list must identify all Class A, B, and C Operators at the facility, and include the name of the operator, the class of the operator, the date that the operator was designated, the date that the operator initially completed testing or training, and the date of any retesting. The records verifying successful completion of training and testing for Class A, B, and C Operators must identify the name of the operator and the date tested, as well as passing results. Owners and operators must maintain these records for as long as Class A, B, and C Operators are designated plus an additional three years. Records of the exam or training must also be signed by the examiner or trainer and list the printed name of the examiner or trainer and the name, address, and phone number of the employer of the examiner or trainer. Records of testing for Class A or B Operators must include those areas in which the Class A or B Operator has been tested.</p>	518-402-9543 New York UST Information	NER

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Pennsylvania	Yes	25 Pa. Code 245.436	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2003.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>A Class A Operator must successfully complete a training course approved or recognized by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) that includes a general knowledge of underground storage tank system requirements. A Class B Operator must successfully complete a training course approved or recognized by the PADEP that includes an in-depth understanding of operation and maintenance aspects of underground storage tank systems and related regulatory requirements. Successful completion for Class A and B Operators means attendance for the entire training course and demonstration of knowledge of the course material as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Receipt of a passing grade on an examination of material presented in the training course, or demonstration through practical (hands-on) application to the trainer, operation and maintenance checks of underground storage tank equipment, including performance of release detection at the underground storage tank facility, at the conclusion of onsite training; and - Receipt of a training certificate by an approved trainer upon verification of successful completion of training under this paragraph. <p>At a minimum, training provided to the Class C Operator by the tank owner or Class A or B Operator must enable the Class C Operator to take action in response to emergencies, such as situations posing an immediate danger or threat to the public or to the environment and that require immediate action, caused by spills or releases and alarms from an underground storage tank system. Training must include written instructions or procedures for the Class C Operator to follow and to provide notification necessary in the event of emergency conditions. The PADEP may also recognize successful completion of Class A and B Operator training on regulatory standards consistent with 40 CFR Part 280, which is recognized by other states or implementing agencies and which is approved by the EPA as meeting operator training grant guidelines published by the EPA.</p> <p>Class C Operators must be briefed on emergency instructions or procedures at least annually (every 12 months), which may be concurrent with annual safety training.</p> <p>The owner of an UST facility must prepare and maintain a list of designated operators. The list must represent the current Class A, B and C Operators for the UST facility and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The name of each operator, class of operation trained for and the date each operator successfully completed initial training and refresher training, if any; and - For Class A and B Operators that are not permanently onsite or assigned to more than one facility, telephone numbers to contact the operators. <p>A copy of the certificates of training for Class A and B Operators must be on file and readily available and a copy of the facility list of Class A, B and C Operators and Class C Operator instructions or procedures must be kept onsite and immediately available for manned storage tank facilities and readily available for unmanned facilities.</p>	717-772-5599 Pennsylvania UST Information	NER

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Rhode Island	Yes	UST Regs. 8-22	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Operator knowledge for all A and B Operators must be demonstrated by the passing of an ICC exam approved by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM). A copy of this certification must be submitted to the RIDEM to remain in compliance. Passing any other New England State approved exam administered by ICC will be an acceptable means of demonstrating knowledge and a certificate of passing must be submitted to the RIDEM. If a new operator in RI has demonstrated knowledge from passing an exam approved by another state (not administered by ICC), that certificate is allowed as an acceptable means of demonstrating knowledge for a period of one year provided the facility remains in compliance with these regulations. A copy of the certification must be submitted to the RIDEM. After one year, the Class A or B Operator must pass an ICC administered exam approved by the RIDEM and submit a copy of that certification to the RIDEM.</p> <p>Certification as a result of passing the ICC exam will be good for five years provided the facility remains in compliance with these regulations. A certificate of passing of any other New England ICC exam will also be good for five years provided the facility remains in compliance with these regulations. Class C operators must be trained every two years by a Class A or B Operator. If a facility is not in compliance with state regulations at the time of a RIDEM or EPA conducted UST compliance inspection then the Class A and/or B Operators must be required to be retrained and re-certified as specified below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Class A and B Operators must be retrained and re-certified if any facility for which they provide oversight is determined by the RIDEM to be significantly out of compliance with the requirements of state regulations for which a Class A or B Operator is responsible. - Class A and B Operators that require retraining shall be retrained and recertified within 60 days of the date of the RIDEM's letter of noncompliance, and must submit written documentation within 10 days of recertification. <p>The Class A or B Operator must conduct an on-site inspection at least once a month and complete a monthly inspection form. Results of these inspections must remain on file at the facility for three years, and be made available at the time of a RIDEM inspection.</p>	<p>401-222-2797 ext. 7031 Rhode Island UST Information</p>	NER

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Vermont	Yes	DEC Rules, Ch. 8, Sec. 8-307	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1995.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>The owner must submit to the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VTDEC) the names of a person or persons designated as the Class A and B Operators for the facility, the name of the operator training program that certified their operator classification, and the expiration of their operator classification certification. If the facility changes the person designated as the Class A or B Operator, the owner must resubmit this notification within 45 days of that change.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operator certifications are valid for two years. If a facility is found to be significantly out of compliance with state regulation, the Class A or B Operator for that facility must complete a retraining and re-take an approved test. Such retraining and testing must be initiated not more than 45 days, and must be completed not more than 60 days, after the VTDEC has issued notice to the owner.</p> <p>The owner must maintain a list of Class C Operators assigned to that facility and revise the list whenever a change occurs. The listing must include the following information for each Class C Operator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The date when the operator passed an approved test or was trained; - The expiration date with respect to that training; and - The name of the approved test or person that certified that the person met the requirements for their operator classification. 	802-828-1138 Vermont UST Information	NER

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Virginia	Yes	9 VAC25-580-125	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1998.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 60 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operators must receive training and certification from a <u>department-approved training program</u>. Successful completion of training for a Class A or B Operator must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completion of the entire training course and demonstration of knowledge of course material; - A score of 80% or higher on an examination of material presented in the training course, or a demonstration through practical application; and - Receipt of a training certificate by an approved trainer. <p>The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) may recognize successful completion of Class A and B Operator training on regulatory standards consistent with 40 CFR 280.</p> <p>Written instructions or procedures must be provided to Class C Operators to follow and to provide notification necessary in the event of emergency conditions.</p> <p>If the VDEQ determines a UST facility is not in compliance, Class A and/or B Operators must be retrained within 90 days in any areas that are determined to be out of compliance with requirements for release prevention and/or release detection. Class C Operators must be briefed on emergency instructions or procedures at least annually.</p> <p>Owners and operators of UST facilities must maintain the following records:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A list of designated Class A, B, and C Operators; and - Copies of Class A and B Operator training certificates for a minimum of three years. 	804-698-4322 Virginia UST Information	NER
West Virginia	Yes	33 CSR 30-7	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1997.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operators must receive training and certification from a department-approved training program. Training or certification from any other state or territory does not qualify an operator to be certified for the state of West Virginia.</p> <p>If West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) determines a UST facility is not in compliance, WVDEP will determine whether Class A, B, or both classes of operators require retraining based on the compliance issues observed.</p> <p>Each Class A and Class B Operator must carry proof of training during duty hours, and each Class C Operator must have proof of training present at the location where the Class C Operator is on duty.</p>	304-926-0495 West Virginia UST Information	NER

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California	No	CCR, title 23, section 2715(a) - (f)	10/13/2018 /TBD	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>NOTE: California combines Class A and B Operators as "Designated Operators (DOs)."</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Designated UST operators must possess a current certificate issued by the ICC indicating he or she has passed the California UST System Operator exam.</p> <p>The individual must renew the ICC certification, by passing the California UST System Operator exam, every 24 months.</p> <p>The owner or operator must maintain a copy of the monthly inspection record and all attachments for the previous twelve months. The records must be maintained on-site or, if approved by the local agency, off-site at a readily available location. The owner or operator must also maintain a list of facility employees who have been trained by the designated UST operator(s) on-site or off-site at a readily available location, if approved by the local agency. The list must include the dates of training for all facility employees, and the hiring dates for all facility employees hired on or after July 1, 2005.</p>	916-341-5455 California UST Information	PWR

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Hawai'i	Yes	HAR 11-281 46	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2002.</p> <p>Owners and operators must submit written notice to the Hawai'i Department of Health (HDOH) identifying the Class A and B Operator for each UST or tank system in use or temporarily out of use no later than thirty days after an operator assumes the operator's responsibilities as a Class A or B Operator. The notification must include the name of each operator, the date training was completed, the name and address of each facility where the USTs or tank systems for which the operator has been designated is located and written verification from a training and certification program approved or administered by the HDOH that the Class A and B Operator for each UST or tank system has successfully completed operator training and is certified in the operator's class.</p> <p>Class A, B, and C Operator training and certification and retraining and recertification must be obtained from an operator training and certification program approved or administered by the department. An operator .training and certification program may consist of in-class or on-line instruction and may include practical exercises but must, at a minimum, incorporate an evaluation of operator knowledge through written examination, practical demonstration, or other reasonable testing methods. The HDOH may accept operator training and certification verification from other states if the operator training and certification is deemed by the HDOH to be equivalent to the Hawai'i's state requirements.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must be retrained and recertified every five years. Class C Operators must be retrained and recertified annually (every 12 months). If the HDOH determines that an UST or tank system is out of compliance, the Class A and B Operators must be retrained and recertified within 90 days.</p> <p>Owners and operators must maintain current copies of all operator training certifications for each UST's or tank system's designated Class A, B, and C Operator on site at the facility where the UST or tank system for which the operator has been designated is located and make them immediately available for inspection upon request by the HDOH.</p>	808-586-4226 Hawai'i UST Information	PWR

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Nevada	Yes	NAC 459.9921 to 459.999	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1998.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>The owner or operator of an underground storage tank must ensure that a Class A or B Operator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completes a training program that is conducted by an independent company or organization and that has been approved by the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection (NDEP); - Completes a training program that is conducted by his or her employer and that has been approved by the NDEP; or - Provides proof satisfactory to the NDEP that the person: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has satisfied the requisite training requirements for a Class A or B Operator, as applicable, in another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia; and • Is in good standing with the regulatory body of the state or territory in which the Class A or B Operator received his or her training. <p>The owner or operator of an underground storage tank must ensure that a Class C Operator completes a training program conducted by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Class A or B Operator in good standing with the NDEP; or - A company, organization or other person approved by the NDEP. <p>If the NDEP determines that an UST or tank system is out of compliance, the NDEP may require the Class A or B Operator who is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the UST, or both, to be retrained. If the NDEP requires a Class A or B Operator to be retrained, the retraining must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completed within the period specified by the NDEP; and - Provided by a company, organization or other person approved by the NDEP. <p>The owner or operator of an underground storage tank must maintain a record for each person who is designated by the owner or operator as a Class A, B, or C Operator. The record for each designee must include the name of the designee, the date of designation and the class of designation. Records must be made available to the NDEP upon request.</p>	775-687-9368 or 702-486-2850 Nevada UST Information	PWR

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Oregon	Yes	OAR 340-150-0210	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2011.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 90 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Attend a training session sponsored by a training vendor approved by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ); - Successfully pass an examination designed for UST Class A or B Operators offered by a national service and approved by the ODEQ; - Complete an internet or computer software training or examination program designed for Class A or B Operators and approved by the ODEQ; or - Complete any other equivalent training method approved by the ODEQ. <p>Trained Class A or B Operators must provide training to Class C Operators on emergency response procedures. Emergency response information must be provided by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Written instruction to any person who is designated a Class C Operator at the UST facility; and - Signage posted in prominent areas of the UST facility that is easily visible to any person that is designated as a Class C Operator or dispenses a regulated substance. <p>If the ODEQ determines that an UST or tank system is out of compliance, the Class A or B Operator must repeat one of the training options listed above within 90 days of the UST or tank system failing the compliance inspection.</p> <p>An owner and permittee must permanently retain each UST operator's certificate of completion on file at the UST facility, including a copy of any examination results. Written verification of training completion for Class A, B, and C Operators must include the UST operator's name, the date the training was completed, and the name, site address and the department's UST facility identification number for the UST facility that the UST operator serves.</p>	503-229-5696 Oregon UST Information	PWR

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Washington	Yes	WAC 173-360, Part 7	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1997.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 60 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Each Class A and B Operator must successfully complete a classroom, computer, or field-based training program or examination that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is developed and administered by the Washington Department of Ecology (WDOE), an UST system owner or operator approved by WDOE, or an independent third party approved by the WDOE; and - Includes an evaluation of operator knowledge, such as testing or practical examination, that reasonably determines whether the operator has the necessary knowledge and skills to meet the responsibilities of the class. <p>Each Class C Operator must successfully complete a classroom, computer, or field-based training program that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is developed and administered by the WDOE, a trained Class A or B Operator, or an independent third party approved by the WDOE; - Provides training on how to respond to emergencies and alarms; and - Includes an evaluation of operator knowledge, such as testing or practical examination, that reasonably determines whether the operator has the necessary knowledge and skills to meet the responsibilities of the class. <p>Class A and B Operators previously designated in another state are deemed to meet Washington's state training requirements if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They successfully completed a training program or examination meeting the requirements of that state or 40 CFR 280, as applicable; and - They possess training records and the records identify the state where they were designated and trained. <p>Class A, B, and C Operators who successfully completed an applicable training program or examination approved by the WDOE before October 1, 2012, and possess training records are deemed to meet Washington's state training requirements.</p> <p>If the WDOE determines the owners and operators of an UST system are not in compliance, the Class A and B Operators must successfully complete a training program or comparable examination and submit a copy of the certificate of completion to the WDOE within 60 days of receipt of the WDOE's determination of noncompliance. At a minimum, the retraining must cover the areas determined to be out of compliance. Additionally, this provision does not apply to Class A and B Operators who are retrained annually using a training program or examination.</p> <p>UST system owners and operators must maintain records documenting all currently designated Class A, B, and C Operators at an UST facility and the training received by those operators. The following records must be maintained and made available upon request:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Records documenting Class A, B, and C Operators at an UST facility; - Records documenting the initial training and any required retraining of Class A, B, and C Operators; and - Certificates of completion. Certificates must include the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The name of the trainee; • The date the trainee completed the training; • The operator class or classes covered by the training; • The name of the company providing the training; and • For classroom and field-based training, the printed name and signature of the trainer or examiner. 	360-407-7170 Washington UST Information	PWR

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Alabama	Yes	335-6-15-46	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1997.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators can satisfy training requirements by any one or combination of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An operator training program conducted by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM); or the owner, the operator or a third party, that has received prior ADEM approval. The program may include in-class, on-line, or hands-on training, and shall include an evaluation of operator knowledge. Examples of evaluation include testing, practical demonstration, or other tools acceptable to the ADEM; - An examination designed to measure operator knowledge and administered by the ADEM; or the owner, the operator, or a third party, acceptable to the ADEM. The examination shall reasonably determine that the person tested has the necessary knowledge and skills to be considered competent to operate underground storage tanks; and/or - Operator training received outside the State of Alabama that is verified by and acceptable to the ADEM. <p>Class C Operators may be trained by Class A and B Operators that are employed by the same tank owner as the C Operator.</p> <p>In the event the ADEM determines that an UST system is not in compliance, the responsible operator(s) must be retrained. The ADEM may determine that any one Class A, B, or C Operator be retrained, or any combination of Class A, B, or C Operators be retrained. Operators shall be retrained within a reasonable time established by the ADEM. At a minimum, retraining shall include training in the areas determined not in compliance.</p> <p>Class A and B Operator training records must be maintained either at the UST facility or at an alternative site. Class C Operator training records shall be maintained at the UST facility so that they are immediately available upon inspection by the ADEM. Documentation of training shall be provided to the ADEM upon request.</p>	334-270-5655 Alabama UST Information	SER

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Florida	No	FAC 62.761.350	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA. In the process of revising the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) regulations to adopt provisions of the 2015 EPA rules.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must complete a FDEP-approved operator training course. Courses or processes may include in-person or on-line training performed by, contracted for, or approved by the FDEP, and must include an evaluation of operator knowledge through testing or practical demonstration. Class B Operators must provide training to Class C Operators or ensure that the facility's Class C Operators otherwise complete training in emergency procedures. Class C Operator training programs may include in-class, hands-on, on-line, or any other training format deemed acceptable by the Class B Operator.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators of a facility receiving a NOV issued by the FDEP for significant noncompliance, must complete a retraining class or examination within 30 days of receiving the NOV. If a facility is cited and the FDEP determines that the facility is in significant noncompliance, the designated Class A and B Operator(s) for that facility must complete retraining. Class A and B Operators are not, however, required to attend such training more than once every 12 months, regardless of the number of their designated facilities found in violation.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must ensure that site-specific emergency response procedures are maintained in an easily accessible location at the facility which is immediately available to the Class C Operator, and that site-specific notices that include the location of emergency shut-off devices and appropriate emergency contact telephone numbers are posted in a prominent area at the facility that is easily visible to the Class C Operator. Owners and operators of UST system facilities must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure that training certificates are maintained at each facility for inspection by the county or FDEP; - Ensure that a current and correct list of trained Class C Operators is maintained at each facility or electronically provided by the Class A or B Operator for inspection by the county or FDEP; and - Must maintain required training certification documentation on-site and must provide it upon request to the county or FDEP. Documentation may be maintained electronically off-site if that facility has the capability of producing a clear printed copy which can be provided to the FDEP within 72 hours. 	850-245-8705 Florida UST Information	SER

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Georgia	Yes	391-3-15-.16	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1996.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>A Class A Operator must pass an Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GAEPD) authorized test to demonstrate that he or she has sufficient general knowledge of UST system requirements to be able to make informed decisions regarding UST compliance and be able to recognize if Class B or C Operators are fulfilling the UST operation, maintenance, notification and record keeping requirements. A Class B Operator must pass an appropriate test as established by GAEPD to demonstrate sufficient knowledge of all UST system requirements indicating that he or she can make informed decisions and implement the UST operational, maintenance, notification and reporting requirements. A Class C Operator can be trained in the responsibilities of that class by either the Class A or B Operators for that facility or must pass an appropriate examination as established by GAEPD to demonstrate a sufficient knowledge of all UST system requirements indicating that he or she can make informed decisions and take appropriate actions in response to emergencies or alarms caused by spills or releases from an UST system. A Certificate of Training may be granted at the discretion of the GAEPD to operators who have received certification from other States whose UST rules are compatible with the rules of the state of Georgia and have an approved EPA operator training program and provide reciprocity to Georgia operators in that State.</p> <p>All Class A and Class B Operators shall be required to retake and pass the Georgia UST Operator Examination once every seven years. Should GAEPD determine that a UST facility is out of compliance with significant operational compliance requirements for release detection and release prevention requirements, or financial assurance responsibility requirements, the GAEPD will require the Class A or B Operator be trained and re-tested at a minimum for the criteria in which the UST facility was determined to be out of significant operational compliance.</p> <p>The method and curriculum used to train the Class C Operator must be kept onsite at the UST facility and must specifically identify which employees are considered Class C Operators and which have received the Class C Operator training.</p>	404-362-2687 Georgia UST Information	SER

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Kentucky	No	401 KAR 42:020, Sec. 7 and 8	10/13/2018	<p>State does not have SPA.</p> <p>NOTE: Kentucky combines Class A, B, and C Operators as a "Designated Compliance Manager (DCM)."</p> <p>An owner of a registered UST system must designate at least one individual as the primary DCM for the registered UST system within 60 days of registration. New or replacement DCMs must be trained and certified within 30 calendar days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system.</p> <p>DCM operational training must be accomplished through use of the cabinet training system. Individuals unable to use or access the cabinet training system shall contact the UST Branch for alternate designation and operational training procedures.</p> <p>The owner must ensure that the primary DCM successfully repeats the training annually, within twelve (12) months of the most recent training date.</p> <p>The owner or operator must maintain a list of all employees trained and written records of all training documentation supplied to UST facility employees.</p>	502-564-5981 Kentucky UST Information	SER

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Louisiana	Yes/Pending	LAC 33:XI, Ch. 6	10/13/2018 /TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1992. In the process of revising the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) Underground Storage Tank and Remediation Division (USTR) regulations to adopt provisions of the 2015 EPA rules to maintain SPA.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Class A and B Operators must complete a UST operator training seminar that has received approval by the LDEQ USTR. This program may include in-class or hands-on training performed, contracted for, or approved by the department, and must include an evaluation of operator knowledge through testing, practical demonstration, or other tools deemed acceptable by the department. Class A or B Operators must ensure that the UST facility's Class C Operators complete training in emergency procedures. Class C Operator training programs may include in-class, hands-on, on-line, or any other training format deemed acceptable by the Class A or B Operator. Certified Class A or B Operators for a UST facility must submit a list to the LDEQ USTR of all Class C Operators at that facility who have been trained, and the LDEQ USTR will provide each Class C Operator with written verification of successful training completion in the form of a training certificate.</p> <p>Certified Class A and B Operators must be retrained within three years of their last training date. When issues of noncompliance are noted at a facility, Class A and/or B Operators must attend either a department-sponsored compliance class that addresses the noted noncompliant areas or another acceptable operator training course within the time frame given in the notification by the LDEQ USTR.</p> <p>Owners and operators must maintain the following records demonstrating compliance with UST operator training requirements for operators associated with the facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A training certificate for each person who is currently serving as a Class A, B, or C Operator, for as long as that person serves as a UST operator for the facility; - A list of emergency procedures, which includes site-specific emergency procedures, the location of emergency shut-off devices, and appropriate emergency contact telephone numbers, that is posted in a prominent area at the UST facility that is easily visible to the Class C UST operator.; and - Required training records. 	225-219-5337 Louisiana UST Information	SER

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Mississippi	Yes	11 Miss. Admin. Code, Pt. 5, Ch. 2.3, 280.37	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1997.</p> <p>NOTE: Mississippi categorizes Class A and B Operators as "UST Compliance Managers" and Class C Operators as "UST Operations Clerks."</p> <p>New or replacement UST Compliance Managers must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement UST Operator Clerks must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Owners must identify at least one person as the UST Compliance Manager for each of their UST facilities and must identify at least one person as the UST Operations Clerk for each of their manned, operating UST facilities. Separate individuals may be identified as a UST Compliance Manager and a UST Operations Clerk or the same individual may be identified as both. UST Compliance Managers must successfully complete any one of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) approved training programs. The training required for UST Compliance Managers must provide the instruction necessary to operate and maintain an UST system in compliance with all applicable MDEQ requirements. The training requirements for UST Compliance Managers may be satisfied by any one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A MDEQ approved program consisting of classroom, on-line, or hands-on training. An evaluation must be conducted after the training to measure and verify that the person has the skills necessary to maintain compliance with the applicable UST rules and regulations. Examples of evaluation include written testing, practical demonstration, or other tools acceptable to MDEQ; - A MDEQ approved examination designed to measure and verify that the person tested has the skills necessary to maintain compliance with the applicable UST rules and regulations; or - Training that is determined by MDEQ to be no less protective of human health and the environment as the methods described above. <p>UST Operations Clerks must receive training by the designated UST Compliance Manager or a MDEQ approved training course. The training required for UST Operations Clerks must provide the instruction necessary to properly respond to emergencies involving the operation of the UST system that pose an immediate danger or threat to the public or to the environment; and properly respond to alarms caused by spills, leaks or releases from an UST system. The training requirements for UST Operations Clerks may be satisfied by any one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training conducted by the UST Compliance Manager; or - Training that is determined by MDEQ to be no less protective of human health and the environment as the method described above. <p>MDEQ does not require retraining or continuing education for UST Compliance Managers or UST Operation Clerks unless a facility does not meet significant operational compliance requirements. If a facility does not meet significant operations requirements, the tank owner will be required to ensure the UST Compliance Manager is retrained within 6 months or a new UST Compliance Manager must be selected for the facility.</p>	601-961-5282 Mississippi UST Information	SER

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North Carolina	Yes	G.S. 143-215.94PP, QQ, and RR	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1999.</p> <p>NOTE: North Carolina categorizes Class A and B Operators as "Primary Operators (POs)" and Class C Operators as "Emergency Response Operators (EROs)."</p> <p>The owner of an UST system must designate the PO of the UST system. If the owner fails to designate a PO, the owner will be deemed to be the PO of the UST system. The PO must designate one or more ERO who are employees or agents of the PO and must be on call to respond to emergencies or alarms at the facility. If the PO fails to designate one or more ERO, the PO will be deemed to be the ERO of the UST system. A person may act as both the primary operator and the emergency response operator of the underground storage tank system. The PO is responsible for implementing the training program developed by the NCDEQ for EROs. The PO must train each ERO of the UST system at the facility. Prior to training an ERO, the PO must have satisfactorily completed all required training.</p> <p>A PO must be retrained if an inspection at the facility reveals that the UST system is not in substantial compliance. A PO who is required to be retrained must complete the retraining within a reasonable time as determined by the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ). The retraining must include training in the areas for which the UST system was not in compliance. The retraining may consist of a combination of on-site instruction and on-site testing, as well as in-class instruction and in-class testing, and, if available, the NCDEQ will offer online instruction and online testing in lieu of in-class instruction and in-class testing. An operator required to be retrained will only be required to attend in-class instruction and in-class testing at the regional office closest to the facility for which the operator is designated.</p> <p>The PO must maintain documentation to show that the operator has satisfactorily completed all training and training was provided to EROs.</p>	919-707-8200 North Carolina UST Information	SER

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South Carolina	Yes	R.61-92.280.35	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 2002.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Not later than thirty days after Class A, B, and C Operators complete appropriate operator training, tank owners will notify the department of the name, training completion date and training provider for each operator. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) will accept Class A/B UST Operator credentials from individuals who successfully complete one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The SCDHEC's Operator Training course; or - Operator training courses conducted by other states after the course material and evaluation instrument have been determined by the SCDHEC to meet the curriculum objectives and evaluation requirements of this plan; or - Operator training courses conducted by UST owners and operators after the course material and evaluation instrument have been determined by the SCDHEC to meet the curriculum objectives and evaluation requirements of this plan; or - Operator training programs conducted by third-party providers after the course material and evaluation instrument have been determined by the SCDHEC to meet the curriculum objectives and evaluation requirements of this plan; or - A national testing or accreditation agency that certifies that an operator successfully completed a state or national UST operator exam. Such accreditation must be maintained in accordance with the requirements of the testing or accreditation agency. <p>Tank owners are responsible for making sure Class C Operators are trained by a certified Class A/B Operator.</p> <p>Persons having primary responsibility and daily on-site operation and maintenance responsibility of UST systems (Class A and/or B Operators) must repeat relevant facility-specific training if the tank for which they have such responsibilities is determined to be out of compliance with state regulations.</p> <p>Tank owners must document training of Class C Operators and maintain a copy of the documentation on file at the facility as well as maintain a list of designated Class C Operators.</p>	803-898-3432 South Carolina UST Information	SER

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Tennessee	Yes	Rule 0400-18-01-16	TBD	<p>SPA granted in 1998.</p> <p>New or replacement Class A and B Operators must be trained and certified within 30 days after assuming full operation and maintenance responsibilities of the UST system. New or replacement Class C Operators must be trained and certified before assuming full responsibility for responding to emergencies.</p> <p>Persons to be classified as Class A, B, or C Operators must log on to the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) web based training database and indicate how operator training requirements are met for each applicable classification by indicating successful completion of at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicable portions of the TDEC's web-based operator training program designed to meet Class A, B, and/or C Operator training requirements; - Obtaining a passing score on the applicable UST System Operator Examination administered by the ICC and submitting the records to the division every two years; or - Obtaining a passing score on a UST operator training program examination administered by the TDEC. <p>Class C Operator training may be provided by the tank owner, a trained Class A or B Operator, or by successful completion of Class C Operator training using the division's web-based operator training program. Tank owners must verify in the TDEC's web-based operator training database that a trained individual meeting the requirements for a Class C Operator will be on site whenever the facility is operating.</p> <p>If a significant operational compliance violation is discovered at any time, then successful completion of operator retraining appropriate to the level of the operator class must be completed within a time frame determined by the TDEC.</p> <p>Owners and operators must ensure that site-specific emergency response procedures are maintained in an easily accessible location at the facility which is immediately available to the Class C Operator, and that site-specific notices that include the location of emergency shut-off devices and appropriate emergency contact telephone numbers are posted in a prominent area at the facility that is easily visible to the Class C Operator.</p>	615-532-0945 Tennessee UST Information	SER