

The idea behind this regulation:

The Federal Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Regulation is designed to help facilities which store petroleum products to think ahead, and plan how to prevent potential spills from reaching our waterways.

Remember that whether your marina needs an SPCC Plan or not, you should take precautions to prevent fuel spills of any size from reaching our waterways.



SPCC

Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan

Where can I go for more information for my marina?

Visit www.epa.gov/region5oil/marinas

Contact Mary Jane Adamo,
U.S. EPA Region 5 in Chicago at
adamo.mary@epa.gov
or call 312-886-5905 for a general
information packet and sample
SPCC plan for marinas.

For technical assistance contact the
Oil Planning and Response Section
312-353-8200



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Contact us at: cleanwater@boat.us
or 410-897-1060

Did you know

Many Marinas Need a Federal Oil Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan...



And Don't Know It?

Do I need one?

Do you have a fuel dock or above ground petroleum storage?

Add the storage capacity of all your above ground petroleum storage containers that are 55 gallons or more.

Include tanks, mobile and portable tanks, totes, and drums that hold fuel, heating oil, lube oil, or solvents.

Use the gallon (shell) capacity of the container, not how much it currently holds.

If you have reached 1,320 gallons or more in above ground storage, you need a Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan.

The SPCC Regulation has been in effect since 1973. This pamphlet reflects August 2002 changes to the regulation.

If your facility falls within the 1,320 gallon storage capacity outlined here, you should have an SPCC Plan. If you already have an SPCC Plan, you may be required to update it according to new changes, with your Plan amended and recertified by August 17, 2004 and implemented by February 18, 2005.

Check out www.epa.gov/oilspill for details on the new regulations.

What is an SPCC Plan?

- The SPCC Plan is a written document that describes measures you have taken to prevent, contain, and clean up petroleum spills.
- It includes information about the facility, the petroleum storage containment, inspections, and a site diagram with locations of tanks (above and below ground), drainage, and other pertinent details.
- It can be drafted by the marina operator, but must be certified by a Professional Engineer.



How can I help my customers be cleaner boaters?

- Hand out free information, written by boaters for boaters, from the BoatU.S. Foundation. Call us to order free copies at 1-800-336-BOAT or check out our web page at www.boatus.com/foundation.
- Put some of this smart boating information on your web site or bulletin board.
- Include clean boating tips along with your monthly bills.
- Use oil absorbent cloths at your fuel dock to catch drips when handing the nozzle over the water.
- While fueling tanks, fill tanks 90% full to allow room for expansion when the fuel gets warm.
- Capture overflow from the boat's fuel tank vent with a "spill collector" product that attaches to the hull with suction cups.

Thanks for keeping our waters clean!

