

# Seattle Fire Department

## Permit Conditions

5201

Site Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_

### Motor Vehicle Fueling Station (Underground Tanks only)

**This permit shall be kept on the premises designated herein at all times and shall be readily available for inspection by the fire code official. [SFC 105.3.5]**

1. Dispensing devices shall be located as follows:
  - a) Ten feet or more from property lines,
  - b) Ten feet or more from buildings having combustible exterior wall surfaces or buildings having noncombustible exterior wall surfaces that are not part of a one-hour fire resistance-rated assembly or buildings having combustible overhangs.

**Exception:** Canopies providing weather protection for fuel islands
  - c) Such that all portions of the vehicle being fueled will be on the premises of the fuel-dispensing facility,
  - d) Such that the nozzle, when the hose is fully extended, will not reach within 5 feet of building openings, and
  - e) Twenty feet or more from fixed ignition sources. (SFC 2303.1)
2. An approved, clearly identified and readily accessible emergency disconnect switch shall be located within 100 feet of but not less than 20 feet from dispensers. Such switch shall be distinctly labeled "EMERGENCY FUEL SHUTOFF". Letters shall not be less than 3 inches in height and ½ inch in stroke. (SFC 2303.2)
3. Dispenser operating instructions shall be conspicuously posted in *approved* locations on every dispenser and shall indicate the location of the emergency shutoff switch. (SFC 2304.3.4)
4. In addition to the signs required above, an emergency procedure sign shall be conspicuously posted at unattended facilities. Such signs shall read: (SFC 2304.3.5)

**IN CASE OF FIRE, SPILL OR RELEASE**

1. USE EMERGENCY PUMP SHUTOFF
2. REPORT THE ACCIDENT!

**FIRE DEPARTMENT TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_**  
**FACILITY ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_**

5. Unattended facilities shall be provided with a telephone not requiring a coin to operate or other approved, clearly identified means to notify the fire department in case of emergency. (SFC 2304.3.6)
6. Class I, II and IIIA liquids shall not be dispensed into a portable container unless:
  - a) Container does not exceed a 6-gallon capacity
  - b) Is *listed* or of *approved* material and construction
  - c) Has a tight closure with a screwed or spring-loaded cover, so designed that the contents can be dispensed without spilling. (SFC 2304.4.1)
7. It is unlawful to sell, offer for sale or distribute any container for the storage and/or handling of flammable liquids unless such container has been approved for such purpose under applicable provisions of this code. (SFC 2304.4.1)
8. Portable containers shall not be filled while located inside the trunk, passenger compartment or truck bed of a vehicle. (SFC 2304.4.3)

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9. Portable fire extinguishers having a minimum rating of 2A-20BC shall be provided and located such that an extinguisher is not more than 75 feet from any pump, dispenser or storage tank fill-pipe opening. The location of extinguishers shall be clearly identified with a sign. (SFC 2305.5)
10. Warning signs shall be conspicuously posted within sight of each dispenser in the fuel dispensing area. Each sign shall state the following:
  - a) No smoking.
  - b) Shut off motor.
  - c) Discharge your static electricity before fueling by touching a metal surface away from the nozzle.
  - d) To prevent static charge, do not reenter your vehicle while gasoline is pumping.
  - e) If a fire starts, do not remove nozzle – back away immediately.
  - f) It is unlawful and dangerous to dispense gasoline into unapproved containers.
  - g) No filling of portable containers in or on a motor vehicle. Place container on ground before filling. (SFC 2305.6)
11. Weeds, grass, brush, trash and other combustible materials shall be kept at least 10 feet away from fuel-handling equipment. (SFC 2305.7)
12. An accurate daily fuel inventory shall be maintained at the premises or made available for inspection by the fire code official. (SFC 2306.2.1.1)
13. All dispensing devices related to underground tanks shall be protected against physical damage by mounting on a concrete island 6 inches or more in height or by other approved methods. (SFC 2306.7.3, Section 312)
14. Dispenser hoses shall be a maximum of 18 feet in length unless approved. When not in use, hose shall be reeled, racked or otherwise protected from damage. (SFC 2306.7.5)
15. Dispenser hoses for Class I and II liquids shall be equipped with a *listed* emergency breakaway device designed to retain liquid on both sides of a breakaway point. Such devices shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. (SFC 2306.7.5.1)
16. Fuel delivery nozzles shall be listed for use for the type of dispensing unit provided. (SFC 2306.7.6)