



Renton Regional Fire Authority

Residential Underground Heating Oil Tank Permanent Abandonment in Place

425-276-9580

**** All requested items must be provided in order to process this application. ****

(See attached Guidelines for Permanent Closure of Underground Residential Heating Oil Tank)

Completed application (please include both pages) and the required documentation per the attached Guidelines may be emailed to permits@rentonrfa.org. Once the submittal is accepted, a payment portal link will be provided. Alternatively, the completed application, required documentation, and \$150.00 permit fee may be submitted in person at Fire Station 14, 1900 Lind Avenue SW, Renton. Permit counter is open Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed on holidays. Permits are valid for six (6) months after issuance.

Property Address of Tank Abandonment: _____

Description of Work to be Performed: _____

Property Owner: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Contractor: _____ Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

State Contractor's License #: _____ Renton Business License #: _____

Occupant Name: _____

I certify that the information furnished by me on this application is true and correct and that the applicable requirements of the Renton Regional Fire Authority will be met. I understand the permit will become valid after all required documentation and payment have been received and will expire 6 months from the issue date. Certification is hereby rendered that no work will be done except as described, and that all work will conform to the applicable codes.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Guidelines for Permanent Closure of Underground Residential Heating Oil Tanks

An International Fire Code Permit and payment of the associated permit fee are required to permanently abandon in place an underground residential heating oil tank (URHOT).

The submittal package must contain an 8.5" x 11" not-to-scale plan view sketch of the URHOT that includes:

- A. The location of the tank and piping relative to the property lines.
- B. Tank size in gallons.
- C. The last known contents of the tank.
- D. Building locations.
- E. Address of the property.
- F. Name of the property owner.
- G. Day and night contact phone for the property owner.
- H. Date and a signature of the person who made the sketch.

Note: Any history of tank or piping leakage must be declared at the time of application.

The owner may remove the tank from the ground or abandon the tank in place. It is recommended that all tanks be removed from the ground since removal ensures that ground contamination is not present. Owners who abandon a tank in place may be required by future buyers, lenders or real estate officials to later remove the tank that has been abandoned. Tanks located in Aquifer Zone 1 are recommended to be removed. A state licensed contractor or company is recommended to either abandon or remove the tank.

Abandoning the Tank

It is not recommended that an owner abandon their tank in place without assistance of an underground tank contractor licensed by the International Code Council or the State of Washington to decommission tanks.

To abandon a tank in place, the following guidelines shall be followed:

Caution: Tanks suspected of leaking shall be removed from the ground rather than abandoned in place. Soil remediation may be required by the Washington State Department of Ecology.

1. Contents of the tank must be removed.
2. The tank must be rinsed clean.
3. Waste from cleaning must be disposed of properly.
4. All piping must be capped.
5. Only approved fill materials shall be used – an inert solid material, such as cement slurry or foam.
6. Cap all openings to the tank, including piping.

**Questions regarding these Guidelines should be directed to:
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