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## **RESIDENTIAL TANK ABANDONMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

Where removal of the tank is not necessary, abandonment in place is allowed.

***A permit is required. The fee is calculated based on the estimated cost of doing this work (materials and labor). This permit can be issued to the homeowner or contractor. Upon receipt of permit, an inspection is scheduled and a Code Inspector will witness and document removal or in place abandonment.***

Tanks abandoned in place shall be abandoned as follows:

- 1) Flammable and combustible liquids shall be removed from the tanks and connected piping.
- 2) The suction, inlet, gauge, vapor return and vapor lines shall be disconnected.
- 3) The tank shall be filled completely with an inert solid material (sand, pea gravel, concrete slurry or other concrete mixture) approved by the Code Administration.  
**Note: Abandoning the tank in place, without filling with inert material, is no longer permissible.**
- 4) Remaining underground piping shall be capped or plugged.

Work to remove/abandon the tank will be done by the homeowner or a Washington state licensed contractor.

The information provided herein shall not be construed to permit violations of any City, State and/or Federal laws.