

WAC 344-12-230 Notification of fire, breaks, leaks, or blowouts.

All persons controlling or operating any oil and gas wells, or receiving tanks, storage tanks, or receiving and storage receptacles into which crude oil is produced, received, or stored, shall make all reasonable efforts to immediately notify the supervisor by telephone followed by a letter giving full details concerning all fires which occur at such oil or gas wells or tanks or receptacles on their property, and all such persons shall make all reasonable efforts to immediately report all tanks or receptacles struck by lightning and any other fire which destroys oil or gas, and shall make all reasonable efforts to immediately report any breaks, blowouts, or leaks in or from tanks or receptacles and gathering pipe lines from which oil or gas is escaping or has escaped. In all such reports of fires, breaks, leaks, or escapes, or other accidents of this nature, the location of the well, tank receptacle, or line break shall be given by section, township, range, and property so that the exact location thereof can be readily located on the ground. Such report shall likewise specify what steps have been taken or are in progress to remedy the situation reported and shall detail the quantity of oil or gas lost, destroyed, or permitted to escape. In case any tank or receptacle is permitted to run over, the escape thus occurring shall be reported as in the case of a leak. The report hereby required as to oil losses shall be necessary only in case such oil loss exceeds ten barrels in the aggregate. Compliance with this section does not relieve such persons from taking appropriate action and reporting oil or chemical spills or leaks as required by chapter 90.48 RCW and other applicable state and federal laws.

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