

WAC 296-835-12015 Provide bottom drains.

Exemption: A bottom drain is not required if:

1. The viscosity of the liquid makes it impractical to empty the tank by gravity or pumping; or
2. The dip tank has an automatic closing cover that meets the requirements of WAC 296-835-12025.

(1) You must provide a bottom drain on all dip tanks that hold more than five hundred gallons of liquid.

(2) You must make sure the bottom drain:

(a) Is properly trapped;

(b) Will empty the dip tank during a fire;

(c) Has pipes large enough to empty the tank within five minutes;

(d) Uses automatic pumps if gravity draining is not practical;

(e) Is capable of both manual and automatic operation;

(f) Discharges to a safe location.

Note:

Discharges to a safe location could be a:

1. Safe location outside the building; or

2. Closed, properly vented salvage tank or tanks that can hold more than the dip tank.

(3) You must make sure manual operation of the bottom drain is performed from a safe and easily accessible location.

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