

Risk Control Bulletin

Effects of the New Jersey Boiler & Pressure Vessel Code Change

Effective October 6, 2008, the State of New Jersey Bureau of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Compliance requires that the owners of pressure vessels have inspections every three years after the initial inspection. Boilers and refrigeration systems will continue to be inspected once per year.

Registration and first inspection will occur over the next three years as the Bureau of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Compliance and insurance companies identify, register and inspect pressure vessels.

When insurance companies inspect pressure vessels, boilers and refrigeration systems, they are required to pay a fee on behalf of the owner. Insurance companies will seek reimbursement from their policyholders for this fee. The new fee for pressure vessels is \$30 per object, the existing \$40 fee per refrigeration system remains unchanged while the fee for boilers has increased to \$50 per boiler. Owners will be responsible for compliance and any fines that they receive.

Violations must be resolved within 60 days after inspection. Any violation that remains open 60 days after inspection will result in a State-issued final violation notice advising the owner of penalty action if they do not abate the violation. Follow up inspections are required on all violations. CNA can conduct these follow up inspections if CNA did the initial jurisdictional inspection. CNA must receive the inspection request at least 10 days before the 60 day grace period expires. To schedule an inspection, contact CNA at 973-540-3644.

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For more information about the New Jersey boiler code, visit the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development's 'Boilers, Pressure Vessels and Refrigerating Plants' webpage at http://lwd.state.nj.us/labor/lse/laws/boiler_law.html.

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