

WAC 173-303-320 General inspection. (1) The owner or operator must inspect their facility to prevent malfunctions and deterioration, operator errors, and discharges which may cause or lead to the release of dangerous waste constituents to the environment, or a threat to human health. The owner or operator must conduct these inspections often enough to identify problems in time to correct them before they harm human health or the environment.

(2) The owner or operator must develop and follow a written schedule for inspecting all monitoring equipment, safety and emergency equipment, security devices, and operating and structural equipment that help prevent, detect, or respond to hazards to the public health or the environment. In addition:

(a) The schedule must be kept at the facility;

(b) The schedule must identify the types of problems which are to be looked for during inspections;

(c) The schedule must indicate the frequency of inspection for specific items. The frequency should be based on the rate of possible deterioration of equipment, and the probability of an environmental or human health incident. Areas subject to spills, such as loading and unloading areas, must be inspected daily when in use. At a minimum the inspection schedule must also include the applicable items and frequencies required for the specific waste management methods described in 40 C.F.R. Part 265 Subparts F through R, 265.1033, 265.1052, 265.1053, 265.1058 and 265.1084 through 265.1090, for interim status facilities and in WAC 173-303-630 through 173-303-680, and 40 C.F.R. 264.1033, 264.1052, 264.1053, 264.1058 and 264.1083 through 264.1089 for final status facilities and be submitted with Part B of the permit application. The department will evaluate the schedule along with the rest of the application to ensure that it adequately protects human health and the environment. As part of the review, the department may modify or amend the schedule as may be necessary; and

(d) The owner or operator must keep a written or electronic inspection log or summary, including at least the date and time of the inspection, the printed name and the handwritten or electronic signature of the inspector, a notation of the observations made, an account of spills or discharges in accordance with WAC 173-303-145, and the date and nature of any repairs or remedial actions taken. The log or summary must be kept at the facility for at least five years from the date of inspection.

(3) The owner or operator must remedy any problems revealed by the inspection, on a schedule which prevents hazards to the public health and environment. Where a hazard is imminent or has already occurred, remedial action must be taken immediately.

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