



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 1301:3-5-04 Notification of unsafe working condition; requirements for cover removal; notification of accident.

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(A) If, in the course of any inspection, an inspector finds that the boiler or pressure vessel is not in safe working condition, is not provided with the fittings necessary for safety, or that the fittings are improperly arranged, the inspector shall immediately notify the superintendent, the owner or user, and the person in charge of the boiler or pressure vessel of the inspector's finding. The superintendent may deny, revoke, or refuse to renew the certificate of operation of any boiler or pressure vessel that is found to not be in safe working condition, and the owner or user shall not operate the boiler or pressure vessel or permit it to be operated until a certificate of operation has been granted or restored.

(B) If an inspector determines upon an external or internal inspection that a boiler or pressure vessel has a leak or crack, the inspector may require that a sufficient amount of the covering of the boiler or pressure vessel be removed in order to inspect the boiler or pressure vessel to determine its safety. When an inspector requires that the covering of a boiler or pressure vessel be removed after having determined that a boiler or pressure vessel has a leak or crack, the boiler or pressure vessel shall not be operated until the boiler or pressure vessel has passed an inspection by an inspector.

(C) In the event that an accident occurs affecting the safety of a boiler or pressure vessel that serves to render the boiler or pressure vessel inoperable, the owner or user shall immediately notify the superintendent and submit a detailed report of the accident. In the case of a serious accident, such as an explosion or other accident causing personal injury, the owner or user shall immediately notify the division's boiler section chief by telephone, electronic mail, or other means of immediate communication, with receipt confirmed, and except as necessary to protect human life or to facilitate emergency response, the boiler or pressure vessel and any of its parts shall not be removed or disturbed before an examination has been made by an inspector of the division of industrial compliance.