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PHMSA Training and Qualifications 2025 – 2026 Regulatory Update



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Regulatory Reform – July 1, 2025

- 25 separate rulemaking actions
 - 2 - FR – Final Rule (technical corrections)
 - 17 - DFR – Direct Final Rule
 - 6 - NPRM – Notice of Proposed Rulemaking



Updated Standards - IBR

- ASME B31.8 (2018) – Effective: July 1, 2025
- ASME B31.8S (2018) – Effective July 1, 2025
- MAOP Reconfirmation – Effective Oct 9, 2025



Class Location Change

- Effective March 16, 2026
- Purpose: To allow risk-based practices following a class location change.
- §192.611(a)(4) to provide a risk-based process for class change



Standards Update

Multiple Standards have been updated through several rulemakings

- Standards Set 1: Published April 2024, Effective June 2024
- Standards Set 2: Published August 2025, Effective January 2026
- Standards Set 3: Published July 2025, Effective January 2026
- Standards Set 4: Published April 2026, Effective January 2027



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Incorporated by Reference

- ASTM A578/A578M (192-147)
- API RP1170 (192-141)
- API RP1171 (192-141)
- API SPEC 6D (192-140)
- ASTM A381/A381M (192-143)
- ASTM A53/A53M (192-142)
- ASTM F1973 (192-150)
- ASTM F2145 (192-144)
- ASTM F2600 (192-145)
- ASTM F2767 (192-146)
- ASTM F2817 (192-148)
- ASTM F2945 (192-149)
- NFPA 70 (192-151)
- PPI TR-3 (192-152)
- PPI TR-4 (192-153)



Incorporated by Reference (192-156)

- ASME B16.40-2019
- ANSI/ASNT ILI-PQ-2017
- ANSI/NACE SP0502-2010
- NACE SP0102-2017
- ASTM A372/A372M-20e1
- ASTM A672/A672M-19
- ASTM D2513-20
- ASTM D2564-20
- ASTM F1055-16a
- ASTM F1924-19
- ASTM F1948-20
- ASTM F2620-20ae2
- ASTM F2785-21
- NFPA 30 - 2012
- ASTM D638 - Removed



Incorporated by Reference (195-117)

- API RP 652 - 2020
- API RP 2003 - 2015
- API Spec. 12F – 13th edition (1/1/2019)
- API 510 -10th edition (5/1/2014)
- API Std. 2510 -9th edition(Aug. 2020)
- ASME B31.4-2019
- ASNT ILI-PQ-2017
- NACE SP0102-2017
- ASTM A672/A672M-19
- NFPA 30 – 2021 edition



DFRs - Incorporated by Reference

- NFPA 59-24 (192-157)
- NFPA 58-24 (192-158)
- ASTM A372/A372M-20 (192-160)
- ASTM A333/A333M-24 (192-161, 195-120)
- MSS SP-75-2025 (195-121)
- ASTM D2564-20 (192-162)
- ASTM F2620-24 (192-163)
- ASTM F2767-24 (192-165)
- ASTM D2513-24e1 (192-166)
- ASTM F1973-25 (192-166)
- ASTM F1055-16a (192-167)
- NACE SP0502-2025 (192-168, 195-122)
- NACE SP0206-2016 (192-169)
- ASME B31.4-2022 - **Withdrawn**



Recent Rulemaking Activities

- PAC meeting held July 30, 2026
- Discussed 13 pending regulations

Joint PAC Rule Discussions

- Rationalize Special Permit Conditions
- Integration of Innovative Remote Sensing Technologies for ROW Patrols
- Property Damage Definition for Reporting Incidents and Accidents
- Adjustment to OPID Notifications for Construction
- Timeframe to Make RMVs Operational

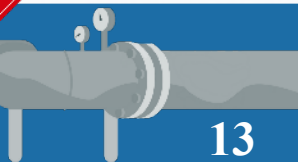


GPAC Rule Discussions

- Exception for In-Plant Piping System
- Adjust Annual Report Deadlines
- Eliminating Limitations on Welders and Welding Operators
- Harmonize Class Location Change Pressure Test Requirements with Subpart J Pressure Test Requirements
- Removing Unnecessary Provision for Material Properties Verification During MAOP Reconfirmation
- Codify Enforcement Discretion on Incidental Gathering Lines
- Eliminating Burdensome and Duplicative Deadlines for Gas Pipeline Coating Damage Assessments and Remedial Actions
- Atmospheric Corrosion Reassessments for Pipeline Replacements



Advisory Bulletins and Alert Notices



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- ADB-2024-01 - Hard Spots
 - ADB-2025-01 - PSMS
 - ADB-2026-01 - DIMP Regulations
 - ADB-2026-02 - Type A Repair Sleeves
 - ADB-2026-03 - Extreme Winter Weather
 - ADB-2026-04 - Reporting Incidents
 - ADB-2026-05 – Damage Prevention
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- Recission of ADB - ADB–2021–01





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