

STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD GOVERNING SUBMERGED OFFSHORE LANDS  
OPERATIONS  
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

CHAPTER 400-2-3  
NOTIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF ACTIVITIES

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**400-2-3-.01      Well Status Report.**

A status or progress report of operations being performed in association with well activities requiring permits in Rule 400-2-2-.01 shall be reported orally or in writing to the appropriate Board office by 10:00 a.m. on the first working day of each week.

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**400-2-3-.02      Notification Of Activities.**

(1) **Notification Prior to Performance of Activity.** An operator shall notify the Supervisor prior to performing any of the following activities:

- (a) Setting surface casing, see Rule 400-2-4-.03(1);
- (b) Running intermediate or production casing, see Rule 400-2-4-.03(1);
- (c) Perforating, see Rule 400-2-4-.03(1);
- (d) Drillstem testing, see Rule 400-2-4-.03(1);
- (e) Wireline logging or surveying, see Rule 400-2-4-.03(1);
- (f) Coring, see Rule 400-2-4-.03(1);
- (g) Pressure testing, see Rule 400-2-4-.09(1)(e) or Rule 400-4-2-.01(2)(d);

(h) Turnaround operations for processing facilities, see Rule 400-2-6-.10(2)(c); and

(i) Turnaround operations for offshore plants, see Rule 400-2-6-.10(3)(d).

(2) **Witness of Activities.** The Supervisor may send a duly authorized representative to the location to witness activities in section (1) above.

(3) **Notification Subsequent to Occurrence of Activity.** An operator shall notify the Supervisor when the following occurs:

(a) Sale, assignment, or acquisition of any well and associated facilities, see Rule 400-2-2-.05;

(b) Loss of a radioactive logging source, see Rule 400-2-4-.05(1);

(c) Encountering unexpected wellbore conditions during recompletion or reworking, see Rule 400-2-6-.06(2);

(d) Pressure exceeds by ten percent (10%) maximum pressure set for the casing, see Rule 400-2-6-.08(1)(a);

(e) Fire or blow out, see Rule 400-2-8-.02;

(f) Spill or leak, see Rule 400-2-8-.03; and

(g) Hydrogen sulfide concentration reaches fifty (50) parts per million in air, see Rule 400-2-8-.04(4)(d)3.

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#### **400-2-3-.03      Approval Of Activities.**

(1) An operator shall obtain approval of the Supervisor for:

(a) Initiating drilling, converting, or reentering a well, see Rule 400-2-2-.01(2);

(b) Deepening, see Rule 400-2-2-.01(4);

(c) Directionally drilling or sidetracking, see Rule 400-2-2-.01(5);

(d) Change of operator, see Rule 400-2-2-.05;

(e) Plan of abandonment of a radioactive logging source, see Rule 400-2-4-.05(3);

- (f) Plan of operation for reentering, converting, recompleting, or reworking a well containing a radioactive logging source, see Rule 400-2-4-.05(7);
- (g) Radioactive surveys, see Rule 400-2-4-.06;
- (h) Chemical treatment or fracturing, see Rule 400-2-4-.07;
- (i) Disposal of tank fluids, see Rule 400-2-4-.10;
- (j) Plugging and abandonment, see Rule 400-2-4-.11;
- (k) Clearance of location, see Rule 400-2-4-.13;
- (l) Initial request for temporary abandoned or shut-in status, see Rule 400-2-4-.14;
- (m) Production testing, see Rule 400-2-5-.03;
- (n) Temporary test allowables, see Rule 400-2-5-.04;
- (o) Multiple completions, see Rule 400-2-5-.05;
- (p) Recompletion or reworking, see Rule 400-2-6-.06(1);
- (q) Fluid used for testing production casing, see Rule 400-2-6-.08(1)(a);
- (r) Maximum pressure limit for casing annuli, see Rule 400-2-6-.08(1)(a);
- (s) Abnormal casing pressure, see Rule 400-2-6-.08(2);
- (t) Platform or fixed structure design features or structural modifications thereto, see Rule 400-2-6-.09(2);
- (u) Construction, and operation of a sour gas production facility, see Rule 400-2-6-.10(1);
- (v) Design, construction, and operation of a processing facility, see Rule 400-2-6-.10(2);
- (w) Design, construction, and operation of a plant and placing a plant into service, see Rule 400-2-6-.10(3);
- (x) Modifications to sour gas production facilities, processing facilities, and plants, see Rule 400-2-6-.10(4);
- (y) Activation of low-pressure sensors on pressure vessels that operate at less than five (5) pounds per square inch, see Rule 400-2-6-.10(5);

(z) Transportation of oil, gas, condensate, or plant products, see Rule 400-2-7-.01;

(aa) Operations involving hydrogen sulfide, see Rule 400-2-8-.04(8)(c);

(bb) Modification of existing hydrogen sulfide operations or facilities, see Rule 400-2-8-.04(8)(e);

(cc) Hydrogen sulfide monitoring system and test equipment prior to initial testproduction, see Rule 400-2-8-.04(f);

(dd) Transportation of wastes, see Rule 400-2-8-.05(1)(a); and

(ee) Modification of transportation of wastes procedures, see Rule 400-2-8-.05(1)(b).

(2) **Witness of Activities.** The Supervisor may send a duly authorized representative to the location to witness activities in section (1) above.

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