

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue Underground Storage Tank Program



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ATTENTION UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK OWNERS

** Notice of Change for the renewal of a Certificate of Compliance**

For Certificates of Compliance expiring on or after January 1, 2019, the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program is providing a new feature to allow for the automatic renewal of the facility Certificate of Compliance (COC) for eligible facilities and owners. If the facility qualifies, you will not have to file a COC renewal application and the COC will be automatically renewed and issued on the date that the current COC expires.

How do I qualify?

To be eligible for automatic renewal of the COC, the tank owner and the facility must meet <u>all</u> of the following criteria:

- The listed facility owner must be registered in the UST Program's electronic filing system, "eUST". To find out more about eUST and the benefits of electronic filing, go to www.mass.gov/ust and click on the "Electronic Filing System eUST" navigation link.
- The facility must be in compliance with MassDEP UST regulations (i.e. no outstanding UST-related NONs, Third Party Inspection is current and passing, Compliance Self- Certification is current, etc)
- The DOR UST Annual Tank Fees must be paid up to date;
- Your current COC must be in good standing (e.g. not currently in "Revoked" status).
- The registered status of all eligible tanks at the facility is "In Use"

How do I know if my facility qualifies for automatic renewal?

As a registered eUST user, you can check the eligibility status of the automatic renewal by going to the Overview page in eUST and selecting your facility. In addition, 30 days prior to the expiration of your current COC, you will receive a notice informing you that the COC is about to expire and that you qualify for automatic renewal.

What if I do not qualify for automatic renewal?

If you do not qualify for automatic renewal, you will still receive a reminder notice within 30 days prior to the expiration of your current COC and that you must file a COC renewal application prior to the expiration date.

What if I have already submitted my COC renewal application?

If you have already submitted your application, you do not need to do anything further. Your application will be processed as was typically done in prior years.

How do I get a copy of my new COC if it was automatically renewed?

For tank owners that are registered in eUST, you will receive an email notifying you that the COC has been automatically renewed. You can download and print a copy of your renewed COC at any time by logging into eUST and selecting the Overview page or the Document Center feature on the COC Applications page.