

WAC 296-104-260 Installation—What are the required clearances for unfired pressure vessels? When unfired pressure vessels are replaced or new vessels are installed in either existing or new buildings, clearances shall be provided to allow access for safe operation, inspection, maintenance, and/or repair. Passageways around all sides of pressure vessels shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 18 inches. Exception: Unfired pressure vessels may be installed with a side clearance of less than 18 inches if the lesser clearance does not violate the manufacturer's installation instructions or inhibit inspection, maintenance, and/or repair. Any exception shall be notated in object comments in the jurisdictional database. All unfired pressure vessels having a manhole shall have five foot clearance at the manhole opening to allow an individual to have safe access to the inside of the vessel to perform inspection and/or maintenance.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 70.79 RCW. WSR 24-12-068, § 296-104-260, filed 6/4/24, effective 7/5/24. Statutory Authority: RCW 70.79.030, 70.79.040, 70.79.150, 70.79.290, 70.79.330, 70.79.350, and chapter 70.79 RCW. WSR 02-23-036, amended and recodified § 296-104-260, filed 11/13/02, effective 12/14/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 70.79.030 and 70.79.040. WSR 96-21-081, § 296-104-273, filed 10/16/96, effective 11/16/96.]