CHAPTER 90

BOILERS, PRESSURE VESSELS AND REFRIGERATION

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Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 90, Boilers, Pressure Vessels and Refrigeration, was readopted as R.1990 d.24, effective December 15, 1989. See: 21 N.J.R. 3247(a), 22 N.J.R. 235(a).

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

12:90-1.1 Title and citation

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as N.J.A.C. 12:90, Boilers, Pressure Vessels and Refrigeration.

12:90-1.2 Authority

These rules are promulgated pursuant to the authority of the Operating Engineers and Firemen Licensing Act, N.J.S.A. 34:7–1 et seq. and the Boiler, Pressure Vessel and Refrigeration Act, N.J.S.A. 34:7–14 et seq.

12:90-1.3 Purpose

- (a) The purpose of this chapter is to provide reasonable standards for:
 - 1. The protection of life and property in the use of boilers, pressure vessels and refrigeration systems; and
 - 2. The licensing of engineers and boiler operators.

Amended by R.1999 d.304, effective September 7, 1999. Sec: 31 N.J.R. 1556(a), 31 N.J.R. 2604(b).

In (a)2, substituted a reference to boiler operators for a reference to firemen.

12:90-1.4 Scope

- (a) This chapter shall apply to:
- 1. The design, construction, alteration, repair, operation, use and inspection of boilers, pressure vessels and refrigeration systems; and
- 2. The examination and licensing of operating engineers, boiler operators and operators of long boom cranes.

Amended by R.1999 d.304, effective September 7, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 1556(a), 31 N.J.R. 2604(b).

In (a)2, substituted a reference to boiler operators for a reference to firemen.

12:90-1.5 Documents referred to by reference

The availability of standards and publications referred to in this chapter is explained in N.J.A.C. 12:90–9.

Amended by R.1996 d.588, effective December 16, 1996. See: 28 N.J.R. 4060(a), 28 N.J.R. 5224(a). Changed N.J.A.C. reference.

12:90-1.6 Validity

Should any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this chapter be declared for any reason to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this chapter.

SUBCHAPTER 2. DEFINITIONS

12:90–2.1 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

"Act" ("Inspection Act") means the Boiler, Pressure Vessel and Refrigeration Act, N.J.S.A. 34:7–14 et seq.

"Act" ("Licensing Act") means the Operating Engineers and Firemen Licensing Act, N.J.S.A. 34:7–1 et seq.

"Alteration" means any change in the item described on the original manufacturer's data report which affects the pressure containing capability of the boiler or pressure vessel. Nonphysical changes such as an increase in the maximum allowable working pressure (internal or external) or design temperature of a boiler or pressure vessel shall be considered an alteration. A reduction in minimum temperature such that additional mechanical tests are required shall also be considered an alteration.

"ANSI" means American National Standards Institute.