



## Fuel Oil Storage Tank Checklist

Check ruel use. An increase may indicate a leak.
Keep track of consumption, and note any sudden, unexplained changes.
Watch oil deliveries to prevent spills or overfills.
Check for water in the tank (measure and record).
Check oil/water separator, if present. Older models may be glass, which can shatter during freezing temperatures. Drain if needed.
Check for signs of unexplained withered or dead vegetation in the area.
Check that vent line is clear.
Check that the fill gauge and overfill whistle are functioning.
Check for signs of spills or overfills around the fill pipe or vent lines.
Check that the furnace is operating properly.
Check the fill cap, and replace a damaged or missing cap immediately.
Check above ground tanks for rust, dents or other damage and to ensure it is sturdy and solid.
Check all pipeline connections and bungs.
Check that there are no petroleum vapors in the basement or crawl spaces.
Check the sump pump or floor drain for petroleum odors. Look for signs of oil (odors, sheen, visible puddles) on property.

If you are uncertain or concerned about any of the above, talk to your heating service professional or a certified contractor.

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