**02 DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION**

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**BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL SAFETY PROGRAM**

**Chapter 73:** **SAFETY CODES AND STANDARDS**

**Summary**: This Chapter specifies the national safety codes and standards that apply to boilers and pressure vessels regulated in the State of Maine.

**SECTION 1. Safety Codes and Standards**

The director adopts and incorporates by reference in this Chapter the following national safety codes and standards to govern construction, installation, inspection, operation, and alteration and repair of boilers and pressure vessels:

1. ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, 2023 Edition (July 1, 2023) Copyright © 2023 by The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, with the exception of Section III, Rules for Construction of Nuclear Facility Components, and Section XI, Rules for Inservice Inspection of Nuclear Reactor Facility Components.

2. ASME Code for Power Piping, B31.1-2022 (Revision of ASME B31.1-2020) (October 10, 2022) Copyright © 2022 by The American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

3. National Board Inspection Code, ANSI/NB23 2023 Edition (July 1, 2023), Copyright © 2023 by The National Board of Boiler & Pressure Vessel Inspectors, Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4. Enforcement of Part 1, Installation, is delayed for a period of thirty-six (36) months, measured from the effective date of this Chapter.

4. Controls and Safety Devices for Automatically Fired Boilers ASME CSD-1-2021 (Revision of ASME CSD-1-2018) (November 17, 2021) Copyright © 2021 by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

5. Guidelines for inspection and nondestructive testing of paper machine dryers, TIP 0402-16, Issued in 1989 (2015 Revision) Copyright © 2015 TAPPI.

**SECTION 2. Existing boilers and pressure vessels**

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1, boilers and pressure vessels existing as of the effective date of this Chapter must:

A. At a minimum, be maintained in accordance with the code of construction in effect at the time of installation; or

B. Comply with the applicable adopted safety code or standard set forth in Section 1 of this Chapter.

**SECTION 3. Conflicts**

When a rule in another Chapter refers to a national code, the reference is to the edition of the code, addendum, and/or appendix adopted in this Chapter. In the event of a conflict between a provision contained in a national safety code and standard and a provision of statute or program rules, the provision contained in statute or program rules govern.

**SECTION 4. Copies of Codes and Standards**

1. Copies of ASME Codes may be purchased from:

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers

ASME

Two Park Avenue

New York, NY 10016-5990

Tel. 1-800-843-2763

customercare@asme.org

[**www.asme.org**](http://www.asme.org)

1. Copies of the National Board Inspection Code may be purchased from:

The National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors

1055 Crupper Avenue

Columbus, OH 43229

Tel. 614-888-8320

info@nbbi.org

[**nbbi.org**](https://www.nationalboard.org/)

1. Copies of TAPPI publications may be purchased from:

TAPPI

15 Technology Parkway South

Suite 115

Peachtree Corners, GA 30092

Tel. 770-446-1400

[**www.tappi.org**](http://www.tappi.org)

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