

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS 2015 NBIC PART, 1

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Boilers

- Annually
- All steam boilers require an internal inspection
- HWH external, test operating controls, internal every 5 years if applicable (Inspectors Discretion)
- HWS external

- Exceptions:
 - Boilers greater than 200,000 lb/hr
 - Steam boilers 100,000 Btu or less
 - HWH boiler(s) 750,000 Btu or less
 - HWS boiler(s) 500,000 Btu or less
 - Residences of not more than 5 families

Pressure Vessels

- Biennial inspection
 - Air receivers greater than 5 cubic feet or greater than 100 psi
 - Air receivers greater than 1.5 cubic feet or 600 psi
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- DA Tanks?

Combustion Air

- Air to support primary combustion
- Excess air to obtain complete combustion
- Dilution air for venting of flue gases
(barometric damper or draft hood)

Current, NBIC Part 1, 2.5.4 and 3.5.4

- a) Minimum of 19.5 % oxygen
 - b) Unobstructed openings 1 square inch per 2,000 btu's
 - c) Power Ventilators .2cfm per 1,000 btu's
 - d) Power ventilators or fans must be interlocked with burners
 - e) Independent duct must be installed per boiler manufacturer (sealed combustion)
 - f) Size of openings in (b) may be reduced if approved by jurisdiction
 - g) Steam and water lines should not be routed across combustion air openings
- Same requirement for Power Boilers and Heating boilers with the exception of 3.5.4 (e) combustion air supplied by an independent duct to a Heating boiler.

NBIC Part 1,

- Combustion Air
- Currently no justification for combustion air openings for large industrial boilers with power burners. As a result the openings can be excessively sized.
- NBIC Example: 10,000,000 btu input power boiler must have a free air opening of 5,000 square inches to the outside. (300 horsepower, 150 for licensing purposes)
 - 34.7 square feet
 - 5.8 feet by 5.8 feet square

Power Boiler VS Heating Boiler

- Power Burner
 - Uses a fan to force air into the boiler for combustion
 - Requires smaller openings for combustion air
- Power Burner with draft control device
 - Uses a fan to force air into the boiler for combustion
 - Barometric damper for dilution air
- Atmospheric Burner
 - Utilizes natural draft to provide air for combustion
 - Requires larger openings for combustion air
- Why does NBIC separate them as Power Boiler and Heating Boiler and not as Power Burner and Atmospheric Burner?

Minnesota Building Code

- Power Burner

- .2 square inches per 1,000 Btu, for appliances equipped with draft control device
- .1 square inches per 1,000 Btu, for appliances without draft control device
 - Example: 10,000,000 with draft control = 3.7 foot by 3.7 foot opening
 - Example: 10,000,000 without draft control = 2.6 foot by 2.6 foot opening

- Atmospheric Burner

- 1 square inch per 3,000 Btu's
 - Example: 10,000,000 = 4.8 X 4.8 free opening

Heating Boiler Clearances

- Top- 36 inches
- With Manway- 84 inches
- Alternative clearances in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations are subject to acceptance by the jurisdiction
- Modular boilers in accordance with Manufacturers recommendations, subject to acceptance by the jurisdiction.
- Heating boilers shall be location so that adequate space is provided for proper operation, maintenance, and inspection.

Heating Boilers, Water Supply

- A connection to add water or fill the boiler shall be provided
- A valve or threaded plug may be used to shut off the fill connection when the boiler is in service.
- A means shall be provided at or near the boiler to prevent back-feeding. The device must be rated for the boiler pressure and temperature.

Steam Heat, HWH, HWS, and Potable Water heaters.

- 3.5.3.1 and 3.5.3.2
- Shutdown switch shall be located outside the equipment room door and marked for easy identification.
- Boiler disconnect switch capable of being locked in the open position shall be installed.

Steam Heating Boilers, 3.8.1

- **Pressure Gage**

- 30 to 60 psi, travel of pointer at least 3 inches

- **Water gage glass**

- Lowest visible part of gage glass shall be at least 1 inch above the lowest permissible water level established by the manufacturer. Shall be indicated on boiler exterior.
- Both low water cut offs must shut off the boiler at or before the lowest visible part the sight glass.

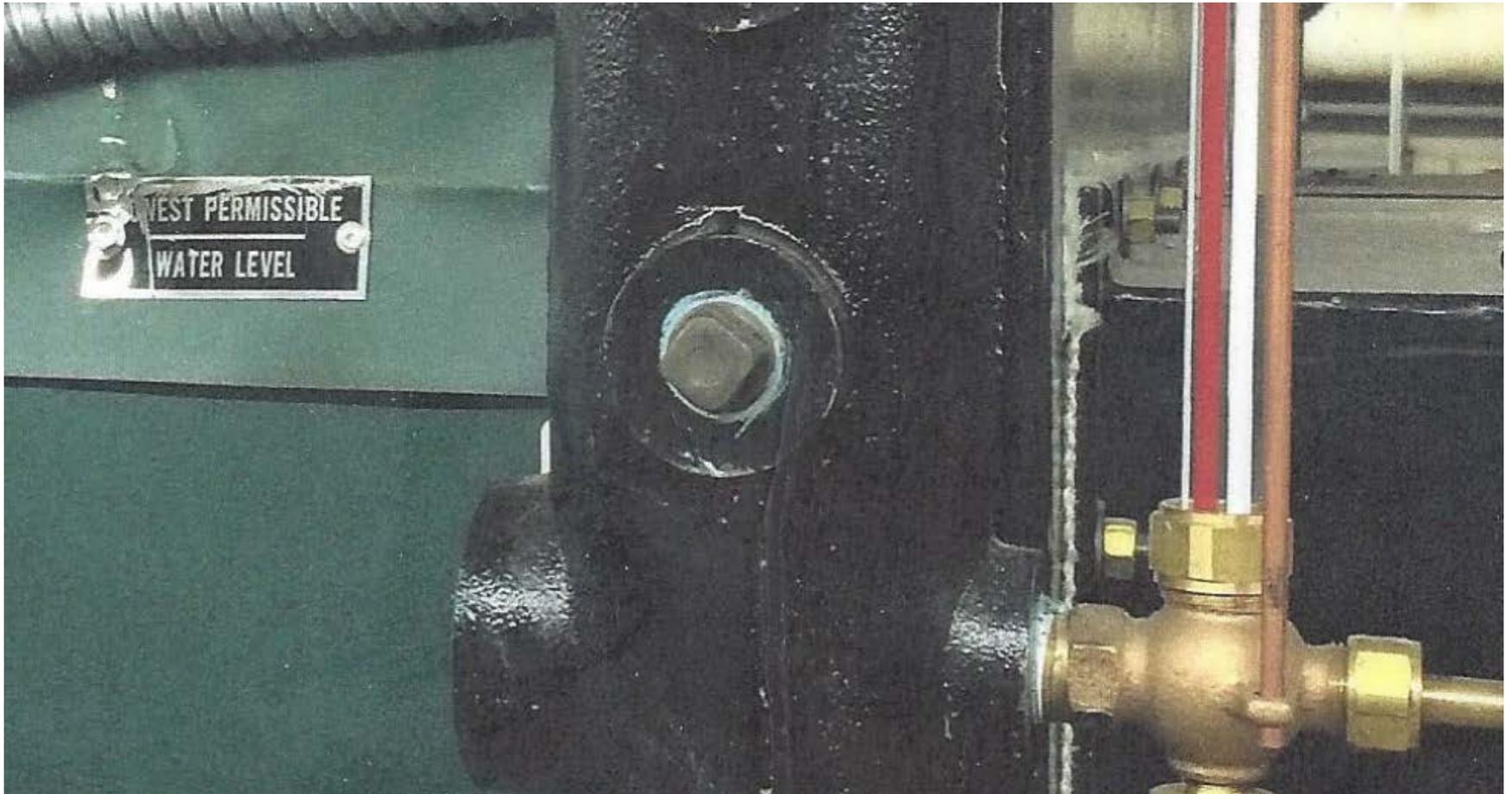
- **Pressure Control**

- Shall have two pressure operated controls
 - Operating control
 - High pressure limit
 - Shut off valves of any type shall not be placed between the boiler and the control

Steam Boiler, LWCO, 3.8.1.5

- Must have two, and must shut off the fuel supply to the boiler at or before the water level falls to the lowest visible part of the gage glass.
- Must have a vertical drain pipe of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch or larger

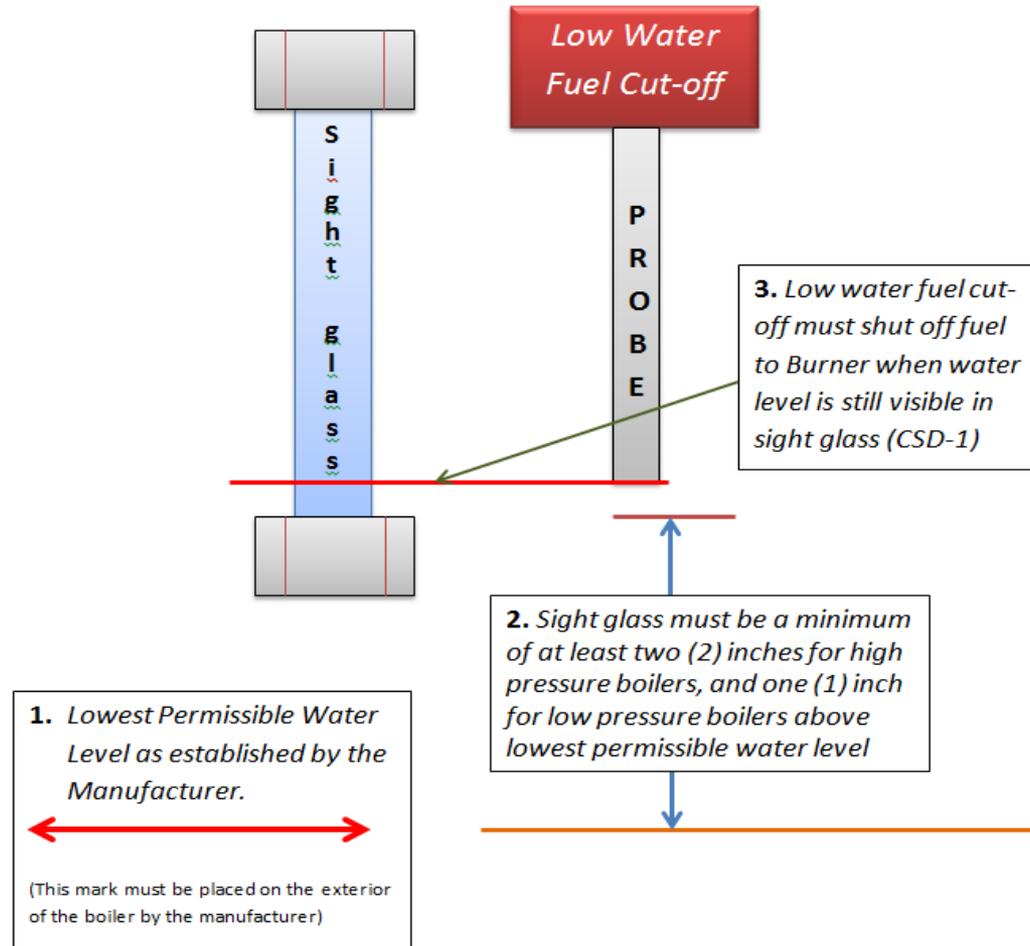
Lowest Permissible Water Level, Sight Glass location



Low water cut off location

Water column and LWCO piping for High/Low Pressure Boilers

ASME Code Section I, PG 60.1, ASME Code Section IV, HG-603



Modular Steam Heating Boilers

3.8.1.6 MODULAR STEAM HEATING BOILERS

- a) Each module of a modular steam boiler shall be equipped with:
 - 1) Steam gage, see NBIC Part 1, 3.8.1.1;
 - 2) Water-gage glass, see NBIC Part 1, 3.8.1.2;
 - 3) Pressure control, see 3.8.1.4 a); and
 - 4) Low-water cutoff, see 3.8.1.5.
- b) The assembled modular steam heating boiler shall also be equipped with a pressure control. See NBIC Part 1, 3.8.1.4 b).

HWH and HWS

- Shall have a pressure or altitude gage
 - May have a valve or lever handle shut off
 - Handle must be parallel to pipe when open
- Shall have a thermometer to indicate the temperature of the water at or near the boiler outlet
- Must have two temperature operated controls
 - Operating
 - High limit, must shut off fuel supply at or before the maximum allowable temperature at or near the boiler outlet.

HWH and HWS, 3.8.2.4

- Only one required
- Manual reset
- May have a flow switch that must shutdown the boiler when inadequate flow is detected, and may restart boiler when adequate flow is restored.
- Must be testable without draining the entire system
- Must not render the device inoperable (except for test and check valves)
- The connection may have a cock placed at the device with a tee or lever handle arranged to be parallel with the pipe when it is open.

Modular HWH

3.8.2.5 MODULAR HOT-WATER HEATING BOILERS

- a) Each module of a modular hot-water heating boiler shall be equipped with:
 - 1) Pressure/altitude gage, see NBIC Part 1, 3.8.2.1;
 - 2) Thermometer, see NBIC Part 1, 3.8.2.2; and
 - 3) Temperature control, see NBIC Part 1, 3.8.2.3 a).
- b) The assembled modular hot-water heating boiler shall be equipped with:
 - 1) Temperature control, see NBIC Part 1, 3.8.2.3 b); and
 - 2) Low-water fuel cutoff, see NBIC Part 1, 3.8.2.4.

Potable Water Heaters

- Two temperature controls
 - Operator
 - High limit (max temp 210)
- Gas fired: shall shut off fuel supply other than operating control valve
- Electric: shall cut off all power to operating controls
- Oil fired: shall cut off all current flow to burner mechanism
- Indirect: shall cut off the source of heat

Pressure Vessel Installation

- Air tanks, DA tanks, Heat exchangers, HW storage tanks, CO₂, etc.
- Shall be safety supported
- Shall have sufficient clearance for operation, maintenance, and inspection
- Piping shall be sized correctly for weight of pipe, contents of pipe, expansion of pipe, and be designed to prevent the negative effects of vibration. (5.1)
- Pressure Relief Device (4.5)

Biomass Boilers

- Fuel Transport Systems shall address particle size distribution, fire prevention, and the suppression of fires or explosions
- Conveyor systems
 - Belt
 - Bucket elevator
 - Auger
- Lean phase pneumatic systems
 - Fuel is dropped into airstream
 - Velocity: 5,000 feet per minute
 - Pressure: 25 inches of water column
- Dense phase pneumatic systems
 - Batch feed
 - Pressure vessel 30 to 100 psi

Biomass Boilers, Combustion Requirements

- Overfire/ Underfire air distribution
 - Controls must be capable of maintaining the correct distribution over entire firing rate
 - Loss of either shall cause shutdown and lockout
 - Minimize particle emissions
- Programming Controls
 - Shall be limited to qualified individuals
 - Password protected
 - Must not over-ride safety controls or prevent shutdown

Biomass Boilers, Combustion Requirements

- Pre-firing Checklists/Interlocks
 - Induced draft fans
 - Fuel transport fans
 - Underfire / Overfire air fans
 - Re-injection fans (Carbon or flyash)
- Pre-purging
 - Boiler and injection system (required)
 - Purge air volume shall be set by system manufacturer and shall not be capable of being reset by operating personnel
- Ignition systems
 - Shall be in accordance with manufacturers requirements

Biomass Boilers, Combustion Requirements

- Firing Rate
 - Capable of maintaining desired fuel air ratio over entire operating range
- Re-injection systems
 - Must ensure plugging of the reinjection piping does not occur
- Shutdown and Post Purge
 - Unless otherwise stated, the fuel supply must be terminated at shutdown
 - Overfire air must remain on until fuel bed is burned out and residue has cooled.