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(b) On and after July 1, 1969, each boiler and pressure vessel used or proposed to be used within this State, except boilers and pressure vessels exempt under § 172 of this subtitle, shall be thoroughly inspected as to their construction, installation and condition, as follows:

- (7) [A grace period of two months beyond the period specified in paragraph (1), (2), (3), and (6) of this subsection may elapse between certificate inspections.
- (8)] Under the provisions of this subtitle the Board is responsible to provide for the safety of life, limb and property and therefore has jurisdiction over the interpretation and application of the inspection requirements as provided for in the rules and regulations which it has formulated. Inspection requirements of operating equipment shall be in accordance with generally accepted practice and compatible with the actual service conditions, such as (i) previous experience, based on records of performance and maintenance; (ii) location, with respect to personnel hazard; (iii) provision for related safe operation controls; and (iv) interrelation with other operations outside the scope of this subtitle.
- (c) (1) [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE inspections [herein] required UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION shall be made by the Chief Boiler [Inspector, by] INSPECTOR OR BY a deputy boiler [inspector, or by a special] inspector [provided for by this subtitle].
- (2) IF A BOILER OR PRESSURE VESSEL IS INSURED BY AN INSURANCE COMPANY, THE INSPECTIONS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE MADE BY A SPECIAL INSPECTOR EMPLOYED BY THE INSURANCE COMPANY.
- (e) (1) (I) [At] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, AT least 30 days [after] BEFORE installing a boiler or pressure vessel covered by this subtitle, the person performing the installation shall provide the Commissioner with notice of the installation in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commissioner.
- (II) DUE TO EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES, A PERSON PERFORMING THE INSTALLATION MAY PROVIDE THE COMMISSIONER WITH LESS THAN 30 DAYS NOTICE OF THE INSTALLATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSIONER.
- (2) All boilers, other than cast-iron sectional boilers and pressure vessels, to be installed in this State after the [twelve-month] 12-MONTH period from the date upon which the rules and regulations of the Board shall become effective shall be inspected during construction or field assembly as required by the applicable rules and regulations of the Board by an inspector authorized to inspect boilers and pressure vessels in this State or, if constructed outside the State, by an inspector holding [a commission as an inspector of boilers and pressure vessels for a state that has a standard of examination substantially equal to that of this State or] a commission issued by the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors.