Chapter 6: Confined Space

Posting Requirements

The purpose of these requirements is to ensure that workers are alerted to the potential hazards of a confined space before any work is conducted in it. They cover the posting of new and existing confined spaces. They apply to area and building managers and confined space owners.

2 Requirements

The confined space owner is responsible for posting a confined space warning appropriate to the space’s classification: non-permit-required confined space (NPRCS) and permit-required confined space (PRCS). Requirements and recommendations are listed in Table 1.

A listing of all identified confined spaces is in the confined space inventory. If a new confined space is identified, contact the confined space program manager.

Important All manholes at SLAC are considered to be confined spaces. These locations may not have signage. Communication regarding these locations will be covered in confined space training.
Table 1 Confined Space Posting Requirements and Recommendations

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<tr>
<th>Classification</th>
<th>Example Posting (use this or a similar sign)</th>
<th>Required</th>
<th>Recommended</th>
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<tr>
<td>Non-permit-required (NPRCS)</td>
<td><img src="image1" alt="DANGER" /></td>
<td>▪ Include a warning in standard colors (DANGER in red and black on a white background)</td>
<td>▪ Include the confined space number on, adjacent to, or above the warning sign; check the inventory or contact the confined space program manager to verify the space number</td>
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<td></td>
<td><img src="image2" alt="FOLLOW CONFINED SPACE ENTRY PROCEDURES BEFORE ENTERING" /></td>
<td>▪ Include requirements, such as permit or procedure</td>
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<td><img src="image3" alt="CONFINED SPACE ENTER BY PERMIT ONLY" /></td>
<td>▪ The posting must be placed on or near the confined space entrance and be clearly visible and no smaller than 3.5 by 5 inches</td>
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3 Forms

The following are forms required by these requirements:

▪ Confined Space Inventory

4 Recordkeeping

The following recordkeeping requirements apply for these requirements:

▪ None

5 References

SLAC Environment, Safety, and Health Manual (SLAC-I-720-0A29Z-001)

▪ Chapter 6, “Confined Space”
  ▪ Confined Space: Entry Procedures (SLAC-I-730-0A21C-007)