

Home Heating Oil Storage

Do you heat with oil? Inspect your tank and heating system regularly to prevent leaks or spills!

If your home is located within a vulnerable area for a municipal drinking water source, any spills or leaks could also pose a threat to your municipality's drinking water.

Take these preventative steps to help protect your system, your property, your family, the environment and your municipal drinking water source:

- Have your tank and heating system inspected annually by a qualified technician
- Check your tank regularly for signs of problems such as:
 - excessive corrosion
 - thin layer of oil around joints on the tank or fittings
 - stains beneath the tank
 - bent or pinched lines
 - smell of fuel oil
- Install a drip pan under your indoor tank if you have not yet upgraded to a modern leak resistant tank
- Contact your certified furnace mechanic (or your fuel supplier) if you suspect a problem.

Installation Tips

Four Simple Tips for Replacing or Installing your Tank

- Install your tank indoors – tanks located outside (especially old single-walled tanks) are more prone to damage and leakage
- If it must be installed outdoors, ensure it is properly supported on a concrete pad or reinforced patio stones to keep it from shifting
- Have it installed by a certified technician
- Choose a tank that won't corrode (like fiberglass or plastic) or a double-bottom steel tank with a leak detection monitoring device (single walled steel tanks are no longer legal in Ontario)



Learn More

Visit the Canadian Oil Heat Association (COHA) website:

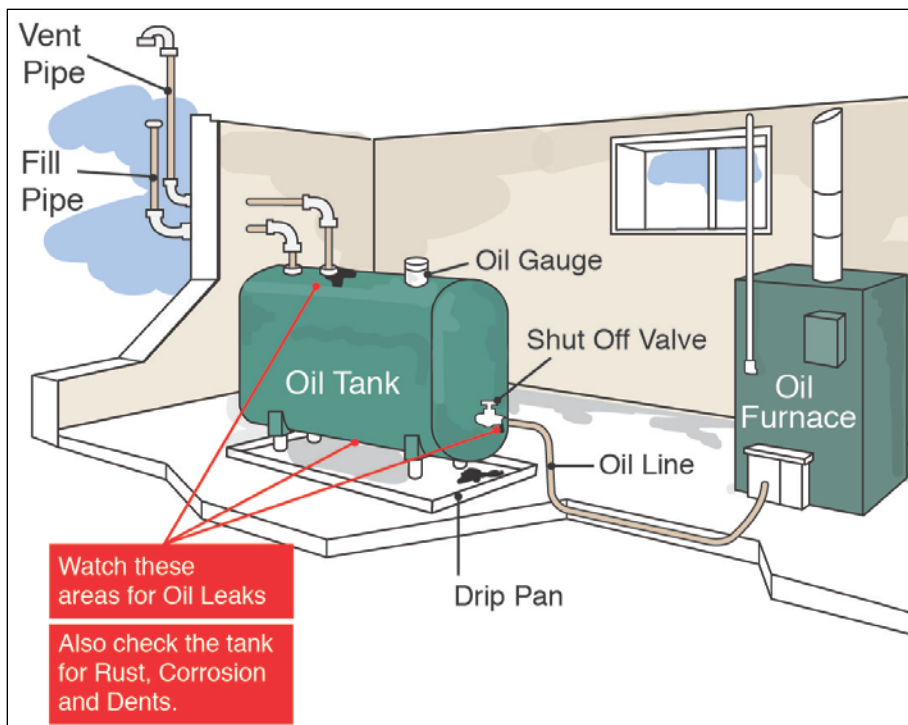
<http://coha-ontario.ca>

To learn more about Drinking Water Source Protection and if you are located in a municipal drinking water vulnerable area visit:

www.actforcleanwater.ca



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In Case of Spill Notify Spills Action Centre Immediately. 1-800-268-6060