§ 98.30–6  Lifting a portable tank.
No person may lift a portable tank with another portable tank.

No person may smoke within 50 feet of a portable tank on the deck on which the tank is stowed.

§ 98.30–8  Gaskets and lining.
No person may transfer a hazardous material to or from a portable tank on board a vessel unless each gasket and the lining of the portable tank are made of a material that is—
(a) Chemically compatible with the product for which the portable tank is approved; and
(b) Resistant to deterioration by the product for which the portable tank is approved.

(a) No person may operate a vessel to which this subpart applies unless each portable tank is stowed on an open deck.

(b) No person may stow a portable tank—
(1) In the vicinity of another tank that contains a chemically incompatible product; and
(2) Unless all electrical equipment is explosion-proof or intrinsically safe, as defined in §§111.105–9 and 111.105–11 of this chapter, in the area of the tank and its associated equipment that is—
(i) Within 10 feet in any horizontal direction; and
(ii) Within 8 feet above the deck.


§ 98.30–10  Pipe connections, and filling and discharge openings.
No person may transfer a hazardous material to or from a portable tank on board a vessel, unless each filling and discharge opening in the tank bottom is equipped with the following:
(a) For an IM 101 or IM 102 portable tank, the closures specified in 49 CFR 173.32c(g)(2); and
(b) For an MPT, the valves and closures specified in §§64.33 through 64.41 of this chapter.

No person may operate a cargo pump to transfer a product to or from a portable tank unless the pump is installed—
(a) Above deck; or
(b) Below deck, in conformance with subpart 32.60 of this chapter.

§ 98.30–13  Ground connection.
No person may transfer an inflammable or combustible product to or from a vessel unless—
(a) The portable tank and its pumping equipment is electrically grounded to the hull of the vessel; and
(b) The vessel is electrically grounded to an offshore platform, shore piping, or another vessel by a—
(1) Cargo hose constructed with an integral grounding wire if the end connections are used for electrical continuity; or
(2) Separate grounding that is maintained until the cargo hose is disconnected and drained.

§ 98.30–14  Requirements for ships carrying NLSs in portable tanks.
(a) The person in charge of a ship, except a ship under subpart 98.31 of this chapter, that carries an NLS in a portable tank shall ensure that—
(1) The ship’s Certificate of Inspection is endorsed with the name of the NLS;
(2) Any letters issued by the Commandant (CG–522) prescribing additional conditions for endorsement are attached; and
(3) Each operating requirement specified in writing by Commandant (CG–