



SPCC Compliance Manager™

Master Spill Prevention, Control & Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan Development, Implementation, and Compliance

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SPCC Compliance Manager™ is an intensive, three-day course that covers the development, review, certification, and implementation of Spill Prevention, Control & Countermeasure (SPCC) plans under 40 CFR Part 112.

The course is led by compliance experts, including professionals who have prepared over 50 SPCC plans and evaluated the compliance status of more than 750 SPCC plans and regulated facilities nationwide. Participants gain insight into regulatory intent, inspection priorities, secondary containment expectations, integrity testing requirements, and common compliance deficiencies.

For nearly two decades, this course has helped environmental managers, engineers, consultants, and oil-handling professionals strengthen SPCC programs, improve inspection readiness, and make informed compliance decisions.

Business Case for Attendance

SPCC violations result in significant penalties. Under Clean Water Act Section 311(j), SPCC violations carry maximum civil penalties of \$59,973 per violation per day. EPA enforcement data shows that SPCC-related settlements routinely range from \$25,000 to over \$200,000, with larger facilities facing substantially higher exposure. In recent years, a Texas petroleum terminal operator paid \$150,000 for SPCC plan deficiencies and secondary containment failures; a Michigan agricultural cooperative settled for \$98,000 for inadequate containment at multiple fuel storage locations; and a California power generation facility paid \$175,000 for failures including inadequate integrity testing and incomplete plan amendments. The most common SPCC violations cited during inspections include failure to prepare or amend the SPCC plan, inadequate secondary containment, failure to conduct required inspections and integrity testing, and insufficient oil-handling personnel training.

This course reduces reliance on outside consultants. After completing the SPCC Compliance Manager™ course, your employee returns prepared to develop or evaluate SPCC plans, assess secondary containment adequacy, implement inspection and integrity testing programs, and confidently prepare for an EPA SPCC inspection. Each of these tasks would otherwise require consultant support at rates that typically exceed the cost of this course in a matter of days.

The investment is immediate and practical. Course content is applied, not academic. Participants return with actionable knowledge, reference materials, and direct access to the course presenter for follow-up questions as compliance challenges arise.

Estimated Investment

Course Fee	\$1500
Discounts*	-\$150 (if registered early)
Travel (airfare or mileage)	Varies by location. Rental vehicle is not required.
Lodging	~\$340 (For discounted rates see https://aarcherinstitute.com/location/annapolis-md/)
Meals (lunch provided; breakfast items provided in-person)	2026 federal per diem is \$80/day (\$60 on travel days)

* Group discount of 15% off is available for three or more registrants from the same organization. Government employee, student, and veteran discounts (15% off) are also available. Corporate partnership discounts are also available.

What You'll Learn

This course develops a structured, working understanding of SPCC regulations and their implementation at operating facilities. Participants develop clarity around:

- The regulatory framework of the Clean Water Act and the purpose and development of SPCC requirements
- Applicability determinations, exemptions, and regulation-specific definitions
- Types of regulated containers and facility configurations subject to SPCC
- Overfill prevention, container, and equipment inspection requirements
- Secondary containment design, inspection, and impracticability determinations
- Loading and unloading operations and oil transfer controls
- Personnel training obligations under 40 CFR 112
- Spill response expectations and oil discharge reporting requirements
- Security requirements and facility features
- SPCC plan preparation, required contents, amendments, and five-year review requirements
- Qualified Facility self-certification requirements
- Professional Engineer certification requirements under 40 CFR 112.3(d)
- Regional inspector guidance and common plan deficiencies
- Contingency planning, including Oil Spill Contingency Plans, Facility Response Plans, and Integrated Contingency Plans

What You'll Take Back

Upon course completion, participants receive a certificate of completion approved for CEUs by EHS, legal, and engineering bodies, as well as:

- A comprehensive course binder and reference toolkit

- Practical guidance documents and useful references on a flash drive
- Access to presenters for follow-up questions
- Enhanced confidence in developing or improving technically sound and defensible SPCC plans

You will also return with new skills:

- Develop a compliant SPCC plan from scratch or critically evaluate an existing plan against current 40 CFR 112 requirements
- Assess secondary containment adequacy and identify deficiencies before an inspector does
- Implement required inspection, integrity testing, and oil-handling personnel training programs
- Prepare your facility for an EPA SPCC inspection with confidence
- Determine PE certification requirements versus Qualified Facility self-certification eligibility
- Contact the course presenter directly as future compliance questions arise

Who Should Attend

This course is designed for both new and experienced professionals responsible for developing, reviewing, approving, or implementing SPCC plans, including:

- Environmental Compliance Managers overseeing oil storage programs
- Licensed Professional Engineers (PEs) who review and certify SPCC plans
- Preparers of Qualified Facility self-certified SPCC plans
- Oil-handling supervisors and facility managers responsible for implementation
- Consultants supporting SPCC compliance at regulated facilities

Course Format

SPCC Compliance Manager™ is a structured, presenter-led, two-day program organized into logical modules that integrate regulatory background with applied exercises. It includes:

- Live instruction from environmental compliance consultants, auditors, and Professional Engineers with hands-on experience in the field
- In-depth review of 40 CFR Part 112 and related guidance documents
- Practical exercises using inspector guidance checklists
- Plan review and critique sessions using both example and participant-provided SPCC plans
- Practical discussion of implementation challenges and inspection realities

Why Aarcher Institute

Aarcher Institute is a professional training organization that has hosted more than 9,500 professionals for more than 20 years. Presenters are selected for regulatory expertise, real-world experience, and demonstrated training ability.

Unlike simple compliance overview courses, our exclusive course content was developed and continually refined by experienced compliance professionals. This is not a self-paced slide deck or scripted presentation delivered by full-time instructors or guest speakers. Practicing EHS professionals provide live instruction and foster open discussion to enhance understanding.

Preparing to Attend

The course is presented in a comfortable and professional meeting room with refreshments and frequent breaks. Course logistics and planning information is presented in the following table.

Course Logistics & Planning

Time Commitment	September 22-23, 2026 (Additional days might be necessary for travel) → 8:15 AM – 4:15 PM (Day 1) → 8:15 AM – 3:00 PM (Day 2)
Course Location	Aarcher Institute training facility 111 Cathedral Street, Suite 300, Annapolis, MD
Flights	Most students fly into Baltimore BWI
Hotel Accommodations	Graduate by Hilton (Discounts: https://aarcherinstitute.com/location/annapolis-md/) Walking distance to course location
Dress Code	Casual to business casual (professional meeting attire)
Meals & Refreshments	Light continental breakfast items, snacks, coffee, and beverages are provided each day for in-person sessions
Transportation	Rental car not required Rideshare services or taxis are generally sufficient Parking: https://aarcherinstitute.com/location/annapolis-md/
Certification/Credits	This is not a certification course Participants receive a certificate of completion and approved continuing education credits