

POLICY ON AUTHORIZED INSPECTION AGENCY OF RECORD

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As a condition of obtaining and maintaining certain types of ASME Certificates of Authorization (Section I, III, IV, VIII, X and XII) the Manufacturer must have in force at all times an inspection contract or agreement with an accredited Authorization Inspection Agency (AIA). This AIA (herein identified as the Authorized Inspection Agency of Record) shall be identified on their application for a new issuance or renewal of Certificates of Authorization.

The Authorized Inspection Agency of Record shall perform all required inspections at the shop location identified in the Certificate of Authorization and for the type of work listed in the scope of the ASME Certificate of Authorization.

The Authorized Inspection Agency of Record shall perform all inspections at field site locations as authorized in the scope of the ASME Certificate of Authorization except when the AIA of Record cannot provide coverage for inspections at a specific field site.

The Certificate Holder's Quality Control Program shall include the following provisions whenever an AIA other than the AIA of Record performs inspections as outlined above.

- (a) How different AIA's will perform activities under the certificate of Authorization Holders program.
- (b) The AIA performing the field/shop activities has a contract or agreement with the Certificate Holder
- (c) Evidence that this program has been accepted by the AIA of record.

The provisions for the use of an AIA other than the AIA of record are not permitted for shops operating under the mass production provisions of the Code.

This policy only applies to Certificates for which the Code requires an Authorized Inspection Agency.