Additional FR Mechanisms for Municipalities

In addition to the financial responsibility ("FR") options available to UST owners and operators, local governments have additional compliance methods tailored to their special characteristics.

- **A bond rating test.** A local government owner or operator may demonstrate (or guarantee) FR by passing a bond rating test.
- A financial test. A local government owner or operator may demonstrate (or guarantee) FR by passing a financial test.
- A dedicated fund. A local government owner or operator may demonstrate (or guarantee) FR by establishing a fund.

The additional compliance methods listed above have recently become available to municipalities through adoption of <u>Connecticut's UST</u> regulations on May 7, 2025. Additional guidance into the use of such instruments can be found in U.S. EPA's <u>FR manual</u>. Questions regarding the use of such instruments can be directed the Licensing and Enforcement Unit, by calling 860-424-3374 or by email to <u>DEEP.USTEnforcement@ct.gov</u>.

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