§ 250.466 What records must I keep?

You must keep complete, legible, and accurate records for each well. You must keep drilling records onsite while drilling activities continue. After completion of drilling activities, you must keep all drilling and other well records for the time periods shown in § 250.467. You may keep these records at a location of your choice. The records must contain complete information on all of the following:

(a) Well operations;
(b) Descriptions of formations penetrated;
(c) Content and character of oil, gas, water, and other mineral deposits in each formation;
(d) Kind, weight, size, grade, and setting depth of casing;
(e) All well logs and surveys run in the wellbore;
(f) Any significant malfunction or problem; and
(g) All other information required by the District Manager in the interests of resource evaluation, waste prevention, conservation of natural resources, and the protection of correlative rights, safety, and environment.


§ 250.467 How long must I keep records?

You must keep records for the time periods shown in the following table.

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<th>You must keep records relating to</th>
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<td>(a) Drilling..........................</td>
<td>Ninety days after you complete drilling operations.</td>
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<td>(b) Casing and liner pressure tests, diverter tests, and BOP tests.</td>
<td>Two years after the completion of drilling operations.</td>
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<td>(c) Completion of a well or of any workover activity that materially alters the completion configuration or affects a hydrocarbon-bearing zone.</td>
<td>You permanently plug and abandon the well or until you forward the records with a lease assignment.</td>
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§ 250.469 What other well records could I be required to submit?

The District Manager or Regional Supervisor may require you to submit copies of any or all of the following well records.

(a) Well records as specified in § 250.466;
(b) Paleontological interpretations or reports identifying microscopic fossils by depth and/or washed samples of drill cuttings that you normally maintain for paleontological determinations. The Regional Supervisor may issue a Notice to Lessees that prescribes the manner, timeframe, and format for submitting this information;
(c) Service company reports on cementing, perforating, acidizing, testing, or other similar services; or
(d) Other reports and records of operations.

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