

Ensuring Winery Asset WHS Compliance

Pressure equipment, including grape presses and air receivers are prescribed in the Work Health and Safety Regulations, making it a legislative requirement to inspect them. These inspections are required to be performed by In-service Inspectors of pressure equipment. The frequencies for these inspections are normally 2 yearly.

ARI have certified inspectors to meet this requirement. Each inspection is performed by experienced and competent inspectors and includes a detailed inspection report. Please contact us to discuss your pressure vessel inspection needs, to assist you in ensuring safe plant and meeting your statutory obligations.

ARE YOUR ASSETS COMPLIANT?

Like most items of plant type that repeatedly have or have the potential to cause harm, Pressure Equipment is mentioned in the Work Health and Safety Regulations and therefore inspection of these items is law. The process of producing wine involves a number of various pressure vessels, including but are not limited to grape presses, air receivers and chillers.

The regulations state that owners and operators are responsible to ensure their pressure equipment is safe for use by meeting several legislative requirements.

Some of these requirements are:

- Pressure equipment is to be inspected by competent personnel usually at 2 yearly intervals as specified in AS/NZS3788
- Pressure equipment with hazard levels A, B or C as per AS4343 are to be item registered with the state governing body (excluding Victoria)

If these requirements are not carried out you are breaking the law and in addition to putting your plant and personnel at risk. You also risk being fined by the regulator.

SOLUTION

ARI can help with the legal owner duties by inspecting pressure vessel/equipment with competent inspection personnel, identifying hazard levels and assisting owners in registering pressure equipment.

ARI have AICIP, API and ASME certified personnel to perform all your pressure vessel inspection requirements.

Please contact us to find out how we can assist you with your winery pressure vessel inspection needs.

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