

TO: API Specification 8A Monogram Licensees
API Specification 8A Monogram Applicants
API Auditors

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RE: API Spec 8A

As of June 18, 2012, API Spec 8A, 13th Edition has been withdrawn. The document will no longer be maintained and considered as active within the API Standards document list. It will remain available only as a historical document.

Effective February 1, 2013, all API Spec 8A licenses will be withdrawn. All manufacturers of monogramable AP Spec 8A equipment shall cease applying the API Monogram on any API Spec 8A products manufactured. All previously issued API Spec 8A Monogram Certificates should be destroyed. Please note that this does not preclude the manufacturing of products meeting the requirements within API Spec 8A; however, the API Monogram cannot be applied to any API Spec 8A products.

Current API Spec 8A Licensees have the following options:

1. Transitioning to an API Spec 8C license – an application package for API Spec 8C license, validated design package(s) to API Spec 8C, and an audit to determine capability to meet the requirements of API Spec 8C are required. Please follow the instructions here (<http://www.api.org/certification-programs/api-monogram-program-and-apiqr/applications-forms.aspx>) for completing the application package for API Spec 8C. There will be no fee for the 8C application, however audit fees will apply.

2. Transitioning to a registration under API Q1, ISO 9001:2008, and/or ISO/TS 2900:2010 – apply for a QMS Registration that includes a scope to design and manufacture of existing API Spec 8A products as applicable. Please follow the instructions here (<http://www.api.org/certification-programs/api-monogram-program-and-apiqr/applications-forms.aspx>) for completing the application package for APIQR Registration. There will be no fee for the APIQR application but audit fees apply.
3. No further action, resulting in withdrawal of the API Spec 8A license on February 1, 2013.

API will cease accepting API Spec 8A applications effective August 1, 2012. All current API Spec 8A applicants will be contacted with further details about any fees paid for an API Spec 8A application and transition to an API Spec 8C application.

For technical questions regarding the retiring of API Spec 8A, please send all inquiries to standards@api.org

For inquiries about API Monogram License(s) or API Monogram requirements, please contact certification@api.org

For assistance with the implementation of any new requirements, please click on the following link to purchase the new specification:
<http://www.techstreet.com/apigate.html>.