

GASOLINE STORAGE

[MGL Chapter 148: Section 23. Keeping and use of inflammable fluids; permit; fee](#)

Section 23. Except as otherwise provided by rules and regulations of the board of fire prevention regulations, no volatile inflammable fluid except an amount not exceeding one quart contained in an approved safety can and no non-volatile inflammable fluid except an amount not exceeding ten gallons for domestic use shall be kept, used or stored in any part of any building used for habitation, and no volatile inflammable fluid in quantity exceeding **one gallon contained in an approved safety can**, and no non-volatile inflammable fluid in quantity exceeding thirty gallons, shall be kept, used or stored, except in the tank of an automobile, motor boat or stationary engine, **within fifty feet of any building used for habitation**, unless a permit has first been obtained therefor from the head of the fire department under such terms and conditions as he may prescribe. A fee of not more than fifty cents may be charged for any permit granted under the authority of this section.

[CMR 527 SECTION 14.03 \(8\)](#)

 Gasoline may be used, kept or stored in any building not used for habitation nor frequented by the public, without a permit, provided the total not exceed **seven gallons** and provided the gasoline is stored in one or more **approved containers**. Approved containers shall include those built to U.S. DOT standards, listed and labeled by a NRTL, or approved by the State Fire Marshall. When not in use, containers shall be in a secured, upright position with all openings tightly closed. Such containers shall be kept away from all heating devices and shall not be opened in an area where there is an open flame or an electric or mechanical devices that might cause a spark. If a container is used in an enclosed area, such area shall be suitably vented.