

Plugging and Reclamation Bond Overview

Operators must register with the Montana Secretary of State and fill out an organization report (Form 1).

Producing and UIC Well Bond Requirements:

Single Well Bond (based on well depth):

<=2,000 feet	\$1,500
>2,000 feet and < 3,501 feet	\$5,000
>=3,501 feet	\$10,000

Multiple Well Bond for producing wells: \$50,000

Allowable Bond Types:

- 1) Surety bond needs to be issued from a bonding company licensed to do business in the state of Montana.

Required form: Form 3 Surety Bond

- 2) Certificate of Deposit needs to be issued by an FDIC insured, Montana commercial bank. This includes national banks with a physical branch location in Montana.

Required forms: Form 14 Bond – Page 1 – CD or Letter of Credit
Form 14 Page 2 A – Assignment for CD

- 3) Letter of Credit needs to be issued by an FDIC insured, Montana commercial bank. This includes national banks with a physical branch location in Montana.

Required forms: Form 14 Bond – Page 1 – CD or Letter of Credit
Form 14 Page 2 B – Letter of Credit

Domestic Gas Well Bond Requirements:

Bond amounts:

Single well:	\$5,000
Multiple well bond:	\$10,000

Please refer to § 82-11-163, MCA, for additional information regarding domestic well bonding.