

ASME Standards Pricing News: BPVC-2010—Changes in Pricing and Format, plus FAQs

- **New Pricing, Effective July 1, 2011:**

New pricing changes—effective July 1, 2011—for the 2010 Edition of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (BPVC-2010).

Please note that all those who purchase the complete BPVC-2010 (Order Nos. X00230 or X00330)— after July 1, 2011—will also receive the new BPVC-III-5-2010 Section III Division 5 High Temperature Reactors upon its expected availability in October, 2011.

- **New Format, Effective July 1, 2011:**

As you may be aware from previous Reseller Announcements, the format of the BPVC-2010 and its Addenda is also changing. **You will no longer be receiving Addenda**, instead—on or about July 1, 2011—you will be receiving complete replacements of the BPVC-2010, which incorporate the 2011 Addenda changes. These publications will be at no charge to you.

Future publishing plans for the BPVC are as follows:

- **2011:** Addenda, consisting of a complete replacement of the BPVC-2010 books, incorporating changes
- **2012:** No Addenda
- **2013:** New edition of the BPVC
- **2014:** No Addenda
- **2015:** New edition of the BPVC

Below, please find answers to your “frequently asked questions” (FAQs).

BPVC FAQs

Why has ASME changed the BPVC publishing cycles from three years to two years?

User feedback was clear that yearly changes through addenda were no longer needed, but waiting three years for changes would be too long. Also, by assimilating all changes into one publication we produce a more user-friendly reference that eliminates the need for interfiling of replacement pages.

Depending on our purchase date for the BPVC-2010, what will we be receiving?

If you purchased/purchase a BPVC-2010 book before July 1, 2011, you will be receiving the replacement with Addenda changes on or about July 1, 2011. If you purchase a BPVC-2010 book after July 1, 2011, you will be receiving both the original book, plus the replacement.

Is ASME going to publish BPVC Code Cases and Interpretations following the same schedule as the Addenda?

Code Cases will continue to be published quarterly between BPVC Editions, and republished as a new Edition on a cycle concurrent with the rest of the BPVC. Interpretations will be posted on the ASME website in January of each year; and also in July of each year during which there is no BPVC Edition/Addenda being published (i.e., 2012, 2014, etc.) With each July publication of the BPVC, Interpretations will be included.

How will changes to the BPVC be identified in each new Edition? How else will the

changes be identified and delivered?

Changes to the BPVC-2013 will be identified as they are in current Editions: in the margins by notation as per year of the change. There will continue to be Summaries of Changes published in each BPVC Edition. However, these changes will not be posted or emailed in years during which there is no BPVC Edition/Addenda being published (i.e., 2012, 2014, etc.)

How will future editions of the BPVC be priced? What will these prices include?

If you purchased the complete BPVC-2010, then you will receive the complete BPVC-2011 replacement, which includes Addenda, at no charge. For 2013, we aim to adjust the BPVC price to reflect the subsequent lack of Addenda. The complete BPVC-2013 price will include the current Interpretations and Code Cases; however, users may also purchase Interpretations and Code Cases separately, as they are published.

With no Addenda, and thus no need to interfile them into the BPVC Binders, will there still be holes punched in the BPVC pages?

There will still be holes punched for the convenience of the user to remove pages as needed.

If we purchased the complete BPVC-2010 before July 1, 2011, will the complete reprint include the new Section III, Division 5?

No, you will need to purchase this book separately. BPVC-III-5-2010 Section III, Division 5 High Temperature Reactors (Order No. X00035; List Price: \$555.00 USD) is expected to be available in October, 2011. Pre-orders are being accepted.

Should I retain my original BPVC-2010 book and for how long?

It is recommended that the user retain their original BPVC-2010 book even though they will be getting a complete replacement. Retention periods will vary depending on usage, but many will want to retain them for meeting regulatory or contractual obligations as well as historical purposes.