

Chapter 119

Motor Vehicle Fuel Volatility Limit

SUMMARY: This regulation requires that all gasoline that is distributed or marketed by bulk gasoline terminals or is delivered to gasoline service stations or bulk gasoline plants shall not have a Reid Vapor Pressure greater than 9.0 psi during the period between May 1 and September 15, of each year [REDACTED]

1. Scope/Applicability. This regulation applies statewide.

2. Definitions.

- A.** Bulk gasoline plant. "Bulk gasoline plant" means, except for gasoline service stations, any gasoline storage and distribution facility or bulk gasoline terminal with a daily throughput of 76,000 liters (20,000 gallons) or less which receives gasoline from refineries, bulk gasoline terminals or through direct import.
- B.** Bulk gasoline terminal. "Bulk gasoline terminal" means a gasoline storage facility which receives gasoline from refineries primarily by pipeline, ship, or barge, and delivers gasoline to bulk gasoline plants or to commercial or retail accounts primarily by tank truck, and has a daily average throughput of more than 76,000 liters (20,000 gallons) of gasoline.
- C.** Reid Vapor Pressure. "Reid Vapor Pressure" (RVP) means the standardized measure of the vapor pressure of a liquid fuel in pounds per square inch absolute at 100°F.

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3. Prohibition.

- A.** No owner or operator of any bulk gasoline terminal nor any person who delivers gasoline directly to a gasoline service station or a bulk gasoline plant shall dispense, sell, or supply as fuel for motor vehicles a gasoline having a Reid Vapor Pressure greater than 9.0 pounds per square inch during the period of May 1 through September 15 of each year [REDACTED]

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- 4. Reid Vapor Pressure Testing.** For purposes of showing compliance with this regulation, sampling shall be conducted using one of the sampling methodologies specified in 40 CFR 80, Appendix D, and any emission test or fuel test required by the Department shall be conducted in accordance with 40 CFR 80, Appendix E, Method 3 or any other method approved by the Commissioner and the United States Environmental Protection Agency.
- 5. Records.** Any owner or operator of a bulk gasoline terminal shall maintain records on the Reid Vapor Pressure, oxygen content, oxygenate, benzene, aromatics, and sulfur of any gasoline that is delivered to or distributed from such terminal. Any person who delivers gasoline directly to a gasoline service station or bulk gasoline plant, and any owner of a gasoline service station or bulk gasoline plant, shall maintain records which show at a minimum the Reid Vapor Pressure of gasoline delivered or received, the date on which the gasoline is delivered or received, and the identity of the person delivering or receiving the gasoline. Such records shall be maintained for at least three years and shall be available for inspection during normal business hours, and copies shall be provided to the Department.
- Any company with more than one gasoline dispensing facility may maintain such records at its central office. However, each gasoline dispensing facility of the company must maintain records on the premises for the last 12-month period.
- 6. Severability.** Each Section and Subsection of this Chapter shall be deemed severable, and in the event that any Section of this Chapter is held invalid, the remainder shall continue in full force and effect.

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