



Advisory

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This advisory notice is to inform you of the compliance dates for the California Reformulated Gasoline Regulations, as specified in Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations, Sections 2260 - 2272, and to show how they correspond with the compliance dates for the Reid vapor pressure (RVP) season of 1996. The regulation stipulates that all motor vehicle gasoline being supplied from a production facility or import facility on or after March 1, 1996, must meet the specified standards for sulfur content, benzene content, olefin content, oxygen content, T90 and T50 distillation temperatures, and aromatic hydrocarbon content; RVP standards will be phased in according to Section 2262.1 of the regulation. The gasoline must continue to meet the standards already in place for lead, phosphorus, manganese, and deposit control additives. There are exceptions to these standards for small refiners who qualify for certification under Section 2272.

The gasoline previously referred to by the Air Resources Board as California reformulated gasoline or RFG, will from now on be referred to as Cleaner Burning Gasoline.

(1) WHAT ARE THE COMPLIANCE DATES FOR CLEANER BURNING GASOLINE?

Section 2261 of the Regulations specifies compliance dates for the applicable standards. In general, these may be summarized as:

March 1, 1996: Applicable standards apply to gasoline being supplied from production facilities and import facilities.

April 15, 1996: Applicable standards apply to gasoline being supplied from bulk terminals, as well as from production and import facilities.

June 1, 1996: Applicable standards apply to gasoline at all locations, including service stations.

Please Note: Standards that apply include specified limits for DALs, Flats, Predictive Models, Certified Formulations, and Cap Limits. Cap limits are maximum standards that apply throughout the entire distribution system, including at production and import facilities, terminals, and service stations.

(2) WHAT ARE THE 1996 COMPLIANCE DATES FOR RVP?

Due to an overlap of dates for RVP control periods and cleaner burning gasoline compliance dates, the following table of control periods will apply for 1996 only. In 1997, the control periods specified in Section 2262.1 will resume.

RVP EFFECTIVE DATES FOR 1996

Air Basin	Production or Import Facility	Terminal	Service Station, Bulk Plant, or Bulk Purchaser-Consumer
South Coast (including Ventura County) San Diego Southeast Desert	March 1 through October 31	April 15 through October 31	June 1 through October 31
Great Basin Valley	April 1 through September 30	May 1 through September 30	June 1 through September 30
San Francisco Bay Area San Joaquin Valley Sacramento Valley Mountain Counties Lake Tahoe	April 1 through October 31	May 1 through October 31	June 1 through October 31
North Coast Lake County Northeast Plateau	May 1 through September 30	June 1 through September 30	June 1 through September 30
North Central Coast South Central Coast (excluding Ventura County)	May 1 through October 31	June 1 through October 31	June 1 through October 31

For further clarification of the requirements, please contact Chuck Beddow, Manager of the Field Enforcement Section at (916) 322-6033. Written inquiries may be addressed to:

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**California Cleaner-Burning Gasoline
Designated Alternative Limits Report Form**

Fax This Form To: (916) 445-0884

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Telephone: (916) 445-0648

Company Name: _____

Facility: _____

Company ID #: _____

Facility ID #: _____

Name of Person Reporting: _____

Telephone: _____

Batch #

Tank #

Grade of Gasoline:

If this report is for a predictive model, enter formulation # _____

DAL NOTIFICATION:

Estimated Volume: _____ (barrels)

Olefins*: _____ (% v)

Aromatics*: _____ (% v)

Sulfur*: _____ (ppm)

Benzene*: _____ (% v)

T50*: _____ (°F)

* enter "flat" if using flat limit rather than averaging

T90*: _____ (°F)

START OF TRANSFER: Date: _____ Time: _____

END OF TRANSFER: Date: _____ Time: _____

ACTUAL VOLUME: _____ (barrels)

Comments _____