



Advisory

Cargo Tank Vapor Recovery Certification Testing

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MOBILE AVIATION GASOLINE REFUELERS STATE REQUIREMENT FOR CARB CERTIFICATION LIFTED

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) will no longer require that aviation refuelers handling aviation gasoline have a CARB vapor recovery certification. This does not supersede or exclude any owner/operator from meeting any district requirements.

The reason for this is the regulation's definition of gasoline, as it pertains to vapor recovery systems, found in the California Air Resources Board D-200, Definitions for Certification Procedures and Test Procedures for Vapor Recovery Systems (D-200). D-200 defines gasoline as any petroleum distillate having a Reid Vapor Pressure of four pounds or greater **and** meeting CARB's standards for motor vehicle gasoline in the California Reformulated Gasoline Regulations (title 13, CCR, sections 2250 to 2273.5). Title 13, CCR, section 2260(14), defines gasoline as, "...suitable for use in an automotive spark-ignition engine." Because aviation gasoline is not intended for automotive spark-ignition engines, aviation gasoline does not meet the definition of gasoline in the California Reformulated Gasoline Regulations and therefore does not meet the definition as it applies to vapor recovery systems in D-200.

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