## Who may purchase Refrigerants (HCFCs, HFCs) and A/C Equipment & Parts?

Only companies that have a Secondary Distributor Permit and/or individuals who are recognized as Manitoba ODS Certified Technicians may acquire, purchase and service, import regulated air conditioning, HVAC/R type product(s) in/to Manitoba.

Regulated products include nearly all refrigerants (including CFCs, HCFCs & HFCs) and any new or used equipment or components that make up or is attached to a closed refrigerant loop.

It is a violation to sell any regulated product to a person or company who does not have a SD permit number or to a person who is not Minister of Conservation and Water Stewardship (MOPIA) certified in the Province of Manitoba (or outside Manitoba where an HRAI certification number is recognized). As a seller of product, you are responsible to verify and document the permit or certification number. Significant penalties exist under the Ozone Depleting Substances Act CCSM 080 for those who contravene this regulatory compliance responsibility! See it on-line at: www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/pollutionprevention/ods/index

## Two ways to purchase or import Refrigerant and A/C Equipment & Parts



## **Secondary Distributor Permit**

Annual Permit • Effective January 1 - December 31 each year • \$50.00

A Secondary Distributor (SD) Permit is required in the Province of Manitoba for companies that purchase regulated (new or used) air conditioning equipment or parts and/or substances (refrigerants), as defined under the Manitoba ODS and Other Halocarbons Regulation. The SD Permit is intended for air conditioning and refrigeration wholesalers, distributors, agriculture, auto and truck dealerships, service centres, body shops, other air conditioning related mechanical contractors, etc.

SD Permit holders are reminded that all transactions of regulated products must be recorded to which MB # tech or SD permit holder they were sold and this info made available to an Environment Office upon their request.



## **Technician Certification**

Annual Certification • Renewable June 1 each year • \$25.00

An ODS Technician Certification wallet card with an assigned 4 or 5 digit number number is issued annually to every person recognized by the Minister of Conservation and Water Stewardship. These persons may purchase regulated products. Ask to see their card! You'll need to record their certification number on the purchase of regulated product(s). If in doubt, contact MOPIA for verification. The certification in not transferable.

A SD Permit and/or certification is not required for purchasing White Goods (i.e. fridges, freezers), but it is for any of their parts connected to the closed refrigerant loop.

Secondary Distributors are reminded that as per Manitoba Regulation 103/94, all transactions of regulated products must be recorded and made available to an Environment Officer upon request.



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