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



MOPIA REFRIGERANTS PURCHASING BULLETIN WINTER • 2023

Only companies that have a Secondary Distributor Permit and/or individuals who are recognized as a Manitoba Certified Trained Service Technician may purchase and 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 attached to a closed refrigerant loop.

It's a violation to sell any regulated product to a company or a person who does not either have a valid SD Permit or a valid personal certification card issued by MOPIA and authorized by the Minister of Sustainable Development (see sample below). 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: http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/ccsm/o080e.php

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





SD 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 information must be made available to an Environment Officer upon their request.

Manitoba Certified Service Technician

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

Every Manitoba Certified Trained Service Technician who renews their card annually is issued a wallet sized I.D. card indicating an individual certification number. 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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