

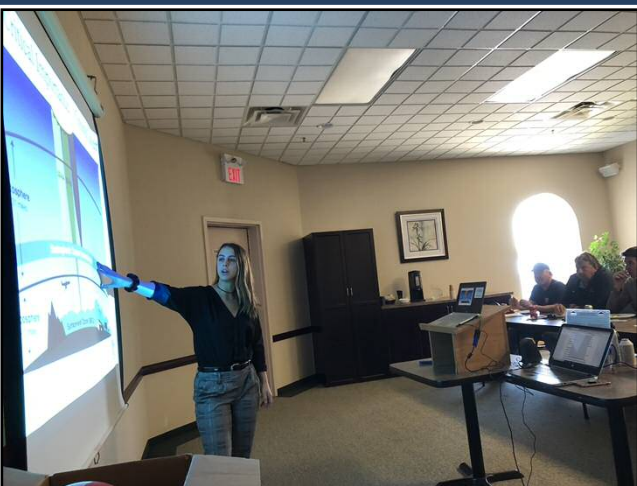
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MOPIA Encourages Stakeholders Across Manitoba



Participants at MOPIA's Selkirk & Portage la Prairie (below) sessions hear Genoa de Bruin speak about climate change.

During the month of June, MOPIA hosted several program awareness and regulation consultation sessions across Manitoba from Dauphin, Portage la Prairie, Brandon, The Pas, Thompson, Winnipeg, Steinbach and Winkler. Genoa de Bruin (MOPIA's Climate Change Specialist) and Mark Miller (Executive Director) hosting these information/consultation sessions. Environment Officers from Manitoba Sustainable Development attended some of the sessions to help answer any enforcement questions.

The goals of the sessions were to seek our stakeholders input in strengthening and updating Manitoba's current ODS and Other Halocarbons Regulation along with sharing the latest industry and environment related news. Also, to hear any suggestions and concerns.

Concerns were clearly heard regarding the leakage of the new refrigerant HFO 1234yf from some vehicles having deficient seals or related A/C parts. In some cases, new vehicles were only being charged at the dealership after certain A/C parts were inspected or retrofitted.



Provincial ODS Regulation Review Be Part of It!



Appliances containing regulated refrigerants should never be disposed/collected like this unless the refrigerant has been recovered

MOPIA is encouraging all stakeholders to review Manitoba's Ozone Depleting Substances and Halocarbons Regulation 103/94 as part of a process to strengthen and update the regulatory responsibilities of those affected.

It is clear some new regulatory dates and controls need to be included and others eliminated to better reflect federal and international actions on substances controlled including HFC's and even HFO's.

MOPIA has developed a preliminary list of suggested amendments/ideas and this can be seen on our website or request it via email (mopia@mymts.net).

Initial ideas to consider for potential future regulatory control:

- Regulate the selling of hydrocarbon refrigerants/kits
- Increase certification period to 2 years
- Introduce mandatory ODS permits for selling products
- Introduce mandatory permits for all ODS refrigeration and/or residential A/C systems

MOPIA is seeking your input by September 10, 2019. Submit ideas and suggestions to MOPIA via email. After which, MOPIA's Board will determine the most practical ideas and will be meeting with government to determine the next steps in drafting these potential amendments.



While we know this process takes time, the goal is to have amendments in place before 2021. Share your input with MOPIA.



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Certification Training in Brandon, Winnipeg and The Pas



MOPIA is offering to host our next one-day certification class on Saturday, **July 20** in Winnipeg and **August 15 or 17th** in Brandon and The Pas on **August 29** (if there is enough interest). Any person working on the gas side of an air conditioning, and/or HVAC/R system requires this provincial certification under Manitoba Regulation 103/94.

Persons who require this certification should register in advance by contacting MOPIA by email (mopia@mymts.net) or phone (1.888.667.4203). The cost of participating is \$185 per student.

The one-day class typically runs from 8 am – 5 pm with the exam. For those unable to attend an onsite/in-class setting, living in remote rural communities or other circumstances, you may be eligible to do the class via correspondence.

Get to Know MOPIA's Team



MOPIA's compliment of staff includes four students supported under provincial and federal training programs. Laura, Alissa, Emi, Samantha, Genoa, Aleah and Mark can all be seen here. There are here to serve our stakeholders and are committed to protect the environment. It is a strong team with lots of youth and energy.



41st Open-Ended Working Group Meeting Held in Bangkok

Some 450 delegates from government, industry and non-government organizations attended the 41st OEWG in Bangkok, July 1-5.

The Agenda included many important issues including the unexpected emissions of CFC 11, replenishment of the Multilateral Fund which supports developing nations implement climate friendly initiatives in harmony with the Montreal Protocol, safety standards and a host of other issues.

The 31st Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol is taking place in Rome, Italy, November 4-8, 2019 where these and any additional Montreal Protocol issues will be discussed and potentially adopted by the Parties (countries).

Two side events were offered by organizations focused on cooling without warming the planet and a roadmap for sustainable cooling. You can see these presentations at the following link:

<http://conf.montreal-protocol.org/meeting/oweg/oweg-41/publications/SitePages/Home.aspx>

<http://enb.iisd.org/ozone/oweg41/>

Key Contact Websites

Government of Manitoba
Manitoba Sustainable Development ODS Act/Regulation
<http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/reg/annual/2005/178.pdf>
<https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/envprograms/index.html>

NASA Ozone Watch & Ozone Home Page
<https://ozonewatch.gsfc.nasa.gov/>
<https://www.nasa.gov/ozone>

International Institute of Sustainable Development
www.iisd.org

United Nations Environment Programme "OzoNews"
<http://web.unep.org/ozonation/>

Kigali Amendment of The Montreal Protocol
www.unenvironment.org/news-and-stories/press-release/world-takes-stand-against-powerful-greenhouse-gases-implementation
www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ttv-OcvnsaY

Environment & Climate Change Canada - Enforcement Notes
www.ec.gc.ca/alef-ewe/default.asp?lang=En&n=8F711F37-1

Health Canada – Sun Safety
<http://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/sun-safety.html>

UV radiation can burn and cause skin cancer and cataracts. Ever wonder what your local UV levels are daily, check out The Weather Network at:

www.theweathernetwork.com/ca/forecasts/uv/manitoba/winnipeg