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## STRATOSPHERIC OZONE LAYER & ATMOSPHERE PROTECTION

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### The Sale of Regulated Products Have Restrictions

Wholesalers and distributors must only sell regulated refrigerants and all parts connected to the closed refrigerant loop to persons who are certified and can produce/show a valid certification card or to a company that has a Secondary Distributor Permit, both issued through MOPIA, on behalf of the Province of Manitoba.

**SHOW IT**

**TO BUY YOU NEED TO SHOW IT!**

**TO SELL YOU NEED TO SEE IT!**

**IT'S THE LAW**

**NO PERMIT. NO CARD. NO SALE.**  
No Certification Card or Secondary Distributor Permit means - No Sale!  
Cards/Permits are not transferable.

**TOUGH PENALTIES**  
Penalties exist for anyone purchasing and/or selling regulated products without a valid Certification Card. You may verify a card's validity by contacting MOPIA.

**WHOLESALE & DISTRIBUTORS**  
Anyone selling regulated air conditioning and refrigeration equipment, parts and/or refrigerant are obligated to verify (see) and record your MB # off your Certification Card.

This wallet size card is mandatory for all persons servicing or purchasing regulated refrigerant(s), part(s) and equipment.  
The card is issued annually and is needed when purchasing refrigerant or parts on the gas side of refrigeration or air conditioning systems. Companies with a valid Secondary Distributor (SD) Permit may also purchase regulated products.

For More Information:  
**MOPIA**  
1082 Main Street  
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada  
1.888.667.4203 Toll Free  
204.338.2222 in Winnipeg  
**MOPIA.CA**

Enforcement Environment Officers do monitor these sales. The important task to know is that any business or person selling regulated products must identify the certified person and their number on the transaction receipt or transaction.

Also, various retail outlets from Walmart, Canadian Tire, Princess Auto, Peavey Mart and others are selling hydrocarbon based recharge refrigerant/AC kits and cylinders. Hydrocarbons are not regulated refrigerants. Persons must not charge A/C systems with these products unless all the regulated refrigerant is recovered from an A/C system first. In other words, hydrocarbons should only be charged into systems that were designed for them or have been properly serviced first (refrig. recovered & repaired).

### New Proposal by Canada, Mexico and USA to Phase-down HFC's

Canada, Mexico and the USA have submitted a revised North American proposal to phase-down the production and consumption of HFC's under the Montreal Protocol. The Federated States of Micronesia have also submitted a proposal to phase-down HFC's.

HFC's (such as, HFC 134a) are not ozone depleters, but they do have a climate change or global warming potential (GWP) for each refrigerant that varies widely. HFC 134a, for instance, has a GWP of approximately 1300, meaning 1300x more impact than carbon dioxide.

These proposals will be discussed at the next UN (OEWG) Ozone Meeting being held in Paris July 14-18 and then possibly at the next Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol being planned for this Fall. See details at: [http://ozone.unep.org/new\\_site/en/index.php](http://ozone.unep.org/new_site/en/index.php)

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**United Nations Environment Programme**

Open-ended Working Group of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer  
Thirty-fourth meeting  
Paris, 14-18 July 2014  
Item 9 of the provisional agenda\*  
Proposed adjustments and amendments to the Montreal Protocol

#### Proposed amendment to the Montreal Protocol submitted by Canada, Mexico and the United States of America

**Note by the Secretariat**  
Pursuant to article 9, paragraph 2, of the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, the Secretariat is circulating a joint proposal submitted by Canada, Mexico and the United States of America to amend the Montreal Protocol in respect of hydrofluorocarbon phase-down (see annex). The proposal is being circulated as received and has not been formally edited by the Secretariat.

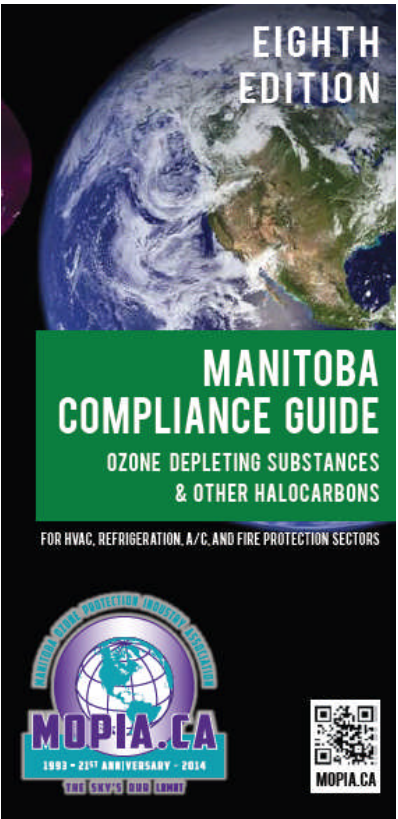
### Next Training Date is June 25

MOPIA's next one-day certification training class date is Wednesday, June 25. The cost is \$175/pp and you must pre-register. [www.mopia.ca](http://www.mopia.ca)

Additional class dates are being considered and will be posted on our website when confirmed.



## Updated MOPIA Compliance Guide Available



MOPIA is pleased to announce we have issued an updated version of our 2014 Compliance Guide that was previously issued earlier this year. This edition (8<sup>th</sup>) is available on-line at our website and some printed copies are available for those who do not have easy or ready internet access.

You may stop by MOPIA to obtain a hard (physical) copy or arrange for copies to be made available to you.

The Compliance Guide highlights and summarizes many of the key regulatory responsibilities and critical environmental information.

## Plan to Attend a MOPIA Program Awareness Session

MOPIA will be hosting a series of free one-hour program awareness sessions across Manitoba beginning soon, in the middle of June. These sessions will update members of our activities, new product innovations and attempt to assist with regulatory understanding.

MOPIA's Executive Director (Mark Miller) will also be visiting smaller communities and business to better ensure regulatory compliance is known and to identify any stakeholders who are not aware of their responsibilities.

The sessions are free and will include a breakfast or sandwich style lunch. We encourage you to attend, as it's your opportunity to have MOPIA come to your town and to learn and share information.

A full list of the session sites and the registration form are on our website. So far, these are the locations we'll be at:

Steinbach	June 17
Winkler	June 18
Brandon	June 19
Portage la Prairie	June 24
Winnipeg	June 25
Dauphin	July 15
Thompson, Flin Flon, The Pas	Aug. 18-20

## Events Corner

There are many trade sector and industry events happening locally and around the world. Let us know if you have any planned and we'd be pleased to make them known here:

- ATMOsphere America** June 18-19, 2014  
San Francisco, USA  
[www.atmo.org/events.details.php?eventid=23](http://www.atmo.org/events.details.php?eventid=23)
- ASHRAE Annual Conference** June 28-July 2, 2014  
Seattle, Washington, USA  
[www.ashrae.org](http://www.ashrae.org)
- The Future of HVAC Conference** July 16-17, 2014  
Sydney, Australia  
[www.airah.org.au/iMIS15\\_Prod/AIRAH/Events2/AIRAH\\_Conferences/AIRAH/Navigation/Events2/AIRAHConferences/The\\_Future\\_of\\_HVAC\\_2014/The\\_Future\\_of\\_HVAC\\_2014\\_Conference.aspx](http://www.airah.org.au/iMIS15_Prod/AIRAH/Events2/AIRAH_Conferences/AIRAH/Navigation/Events2/AIRAHConferences/The_Future_of_HVAC_2014/The_Future_of_HVAC_2014_Conference.aspx)

## Whats Happening Internationally – Find out via OzoNews



The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), OzonAction Division of Technology, Industry and Economics issues a comprehensive list of issues, activities and events on a regular basis via their OzoNews on-line edition and is a worthy and trusted source for the latest information within the various sectors affected by controlled substances under The Montreal Protocol. MOPIA encourages you to sign up or view them bimonthly – It's currently free. See: [www.unep.org/ozonaction/](http://www.unep.org/ozonaction/)

