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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Numerous safety rules relating to uniform safety standards for distances, fencing and/or guardrail standards, bulkhead and emergency shut off valve requirements, maintenance and general safety regulations, grounding requirements and fuel dispensing procedures were either adopted, amended, or repealed effective January 1, 1988. New safety rule books and subscription updates will be available in the near future. Upon availability of the new rules, all LP-gas examinations administered will include the new rules. Listed below are the applicable rules:

I. New Rules

- 9.2 Definitions
- 9.4 Registration Fees for Testing Laboratories
- 9.28 Public Hearings
- 9.29 Filings Required for LP-Gas Installations
- 9.39 Field Welding
- 9.50 Minimum Design Working Pressure
- 9.62 Removal from LP-Gas Service
- 9.63 Uniform Protection Standards
- 9.64 Uniform Safety Requirements
- 9.65 LP-Gas Storage Distance Requirements
- 9.66 Maximum Capacity of LP-Gas Storage Containers
- 9.67 LP-Gas Storage Protection
- 9.69 Grounding and Electrical Fields
- 9.70 Maintenance
- 9.162 Lighted Materials Prohibited
- 9.395 Distance of Manual Dispensers

II. Amended Rules

- 9.1 Application of Rules
- 9.6 Examination and Notification Generally
- 9.15 LP-Gas Report Forms
- 9.48 Transfer of Liquid
- 9.58 Filling Unapproved Containers Prohibited
- 9.71 Construction and Original Test of Cylinders
- 9.72 Markings on Containers
- 9.77 Filling of Department of Transportation Containers
- 9.102 Containers Installed Underground
- 9.104 Skid Tanks
- 9.107 Protection of Tank and Accessories
- 9.135 Bulkheads and Emergency Shutoff Valves
- 9.147 Transfer of Liquids
- 9.155 Baffles

Government Publications
Texas State Documents

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II. Amended Rules

- 9.164 Parking of LP-Gas Transports
- 9.171 Definitions and Applicability
- 9.190 Filling of Motor Fuel and Mobile Fuel Containers
- 9.203 Direct Gas-Fired Vaporizers
- 9.204 Direct Gas-Fired Tank Heaters
- 9.265 Installation of LP-Gas Service Station and Bottle Filling Storage Cylinders
- 9.266 Protection of Storage Containers and Fittings
- 9.272 Cylinder Storage
- 9.275 Safety During Fueling Operations
- 9.290 Liquid Level Gauging Devices
- 9.291 Baffles
- 9.301 Fuel Storage Containers
- 9.302 Protection of Fuel Storage Containers and Fittings
- 9.303 Cylinder Storage
- 9.340 Automatic Dispenser Installation

III. Repealed Rules

- 9.14 Definitions
- 9.55 Open Flames
- 9.73 Location of Containers
- 9.81 Installations at Public Buildings-ICC and DOT Containers
- 9.99 Design Working Pressure and Classification of Storage Containers
- 9.100 Location of Consumer Fuel Storage Containers
- 9.105 Installations at Public Buildings
- 9.108 Grounding of Containers
- 9.111 Electrical Lines
- 9.113 Location of Industrial or Large Commercial Storage Containers
- 9.121 Location of Containers
- 9.123 Protection of Bulk Storage Areas
- 9.126 Grounding
- 9.128 Pump Installation
- 9.130 Design Working Pressure
- 9.131 Maintenance of Bulk Storage Containers
- 9.134 Electrical Installations
- 9.156 Static Straps
- 9.160 Maintenance of Equipment
- 9.162 Smoking
- 9.261 Design Working Pressure and Classification of Bottle Filling and LP-Gas Service Station Containers
- 9.264 Capacity of LP-Gas Service Station and Bottle Filling Storage
- 9.273 Electrical Installations
- 9.274 Maintenance of Fuel Storage Containers
- 9.285 Transfer of Liquids

EQUIPMENT APPROVALS

The following equipment has been approved for LPG service in Texas:

Accuflex LP-gas Hose #954 and 458; Sizes 1/4, 5/16, and 3/8; 350 p.s.i.

Zapco Fabrication, Inc.: Single/Double Burner Fish Fryer/Cooker

SVF Ball Valves - Sizes 1/2" thru 6"

Alkota Cleaning Systems, Inc.: Steam & Hot Water Pressure Cleaning Systems

1988 EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

The schedule below sets forth the dates and places for seminars and examinations to be conducted by the LP-Gas Division statewide. Seminars will be conducted from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, followed by examinations from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Seminar attendance is optional. Applicants for examinations may go to any location provided they have received the admittance letter from the Austin office. **NO EXAMS WILL BE GIVEN AT ANY LOCATION WITHOUT THE ADMITTANCE LETTER.** Examinations may also be taken in the Austin office on **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday** between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

1988	1988	1988
Jan. 5, Feb. 2, Mar. 1, Apr. 5, May 3, June 7, July 5, Aug. 2	Jan. 7, Feb. 4, Mar. 3, Apr. 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, Aug. 4	Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 8, Apr. 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, Aug. 9
RAMADA INN 6099 E. Montana El Paso	BEST WESTERN INN OF TYLER—LORDS REST. 2828 N.W. Loop 323 Tyler	QUALITY INN (INN OF THE CONCHOS) 2021 N. Bryant San Angelo
BEST WESTERN NACOGDOCHES INN 2020 N.W. Stalling Nacogdoches	CIRCUS INN MOTEL 101 E. Slaton Hwy. Lubbock	HOLIDAY INN 1300 N. Central Expwy McKinney
		HILTON INN 2721 S. 10th McAllen

1988	1988	1988
Jan. 14, Feb. 18, Mar. 10, Apr.,14, May 12, June 9, July 14, Aug. 11	Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 15, Apr. 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, Aug. 16	Jan. 21, Feb. 18, Mar. 17, Apr. 21, May 19, June 16, July 21, Aug. 18
ROYAL INN 5695 S. First Abilene	LaQUINTA INN 7603 N. Hallettsville Hwy. Victoria	RAMADA INN 4201 Franklin Ave. Waco
HOLIDAY INN ASTRO VILLAGE 8500 Kirby Drive Houston	TEXAS STATE TECH. INST. Bldg. 5502-H Ave. Amarillo	LaPALOMA INN 601 E. Elmira San Antonio

COURT CASE

DATE	COMPANY	VIOLATION
6-22-87	Koch Service, Inc.	Section 113.097 of the Texas Natural Resources Code

SAFETY SCHOOLS

DATE	SPONSOR	LOCATION
5-5-87	Chevron Pipeline Company	Mt. Belvieu
5-19-87	Ballinger Butane Company	San Angelo
5-28-87	Athens Fire Department	Athens
6-19-87	Plbg., Htg., & AC Contractors Assoc.	Houston
7-31-87	A & M Firemen's Training School	College Station

IMPORTANT NOTICE — 1988 REQUALIFICATION SEMINARS

Pursuant to Section 9.6, each person who has passed a qualifying examination must attend a Requalification Seminar once every five years (during the fourth year) or suffer lapse in their requalification. Once lapsed, qualified status can only be regained by passing the appropriate examination. All those **who were qualified by examination during 1984**, and have not attended a requalification seminar, must do so before May 31, 1988. When attending the requalification seminar, please bring the following: current examination card or other proof of I.D., social security card, and ball point pen. Proof of identification must be presented in order to receive an attendance card. **CONDUCTING LP-GAS ACTIVITIES WHILE NOT BEING QUALIFIED BY EXAMINATION IS A VIOLATION OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES CODE AND THE LP-GAS SAFETY RULES.**

Registration will be 8:00-9:00 a.m., seminar 9:00-5:00 p.m. at the following locations

March 17, 1988
Holiday Inn N.W. Loop
3233 N.W. Loop 410
San Antonio

April 14, 1988
Dallas Hilton Inn
5600 N. Central Expwy.
Dallas

April 21, 1988
Rodeway Inn
Jerry Wolffe Restaurant
6201 Gateway West
El Paso

May 5, 1988
Holiday Inn
Astro Village
8500 Kirby Drive
Houston

May 26, 1988
KoKo Palace
5201 Avenue Q
Lubbock

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