## **Stationary Refrigeration Refrigerant Reclamation** Requirements



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## **Refrigerant Reclamation Requirements**

EPA regulations (40 CFR Part 82, Subpart FExit Exit EPA website) under Section 608 of the Clean Air Act restrict the resale of used ozone-depleting and substitute (e.g., HFC) refrigerant to a new owner unless it has been reclaimed by an EPA-certified refrigerant <u>reclaimer</u>. Refrigerant that has been <u>recovered</u> and/or <u>recycled</u> can be returned to the same system or other systems owned by the same person without being reclaimed.

To be properly reclaimed, used refrigerant must be reprocessed to at least the purity level specified in Appendix A to 40 CFR Part 82, Subpart FExit Exit EPA website [based on Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) Standard 700-2016Exit Exit EPA website]. This purity level must be verified using the laboratory protocol set forth in this same standard.

## **Reclaimer Certification**

Refrigerant reclaimers must be certified by EPA. This checklist can help prospective reclaimers provide the appropriate information to EPA in order to be certified.

**Key Resources** 

View a list of EPA-certified reclaimers here.

## Where to Return Used Refrigerant

Contractors and technicians can return recovered refrigerant to a consolidator (such as a refrigerant manufacturer, supplier, wholesale distributor, or refrigerant recovery company) for packaging and preparation prior to reclamation, or in some cases directly to an EPA reclaimer.

The following companies or sites have locations that accept used refrigerants (EPA does not endorse any of these entities and provides these links for informational purposes only): The following links exit the site