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Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Renewable Fuel Producers and Importers



**Renewable Fuel
Producers and Importers**

**Persons who
produce and/or
import
“renewable fuel”**

What is “renewable fuel” under the Regulations?

The Regulations specify a definition for “renewable fuel” including “ethanol” and “biodiesel”. A liquid fuel is a “renewable fuel” if it:

- is produced from one or more of the listed renewable fuel feedstocks,
- complies with the maximum content of non-renewable substances allowed, and
- otherwise meets the definition of renewable fuel as set out in the Regulations.

What do the Regulations require of renewable fuel producers and importers?

Renewable fuel producers and importers must keep records and report on their renewable fuels. They are required to have an audit by an independent third party for each compliance period.

I only produce and/or import small volumes of renewable fuel. What are my requirements under the Regulations?

If you produce and/or import less than 400m³ (400 000 litres) of renewable fuel in a year¹ then you are exempt from the requirements under sections 34 and 28 for that period. However, you must keep records demonstrating your annual volume is less than the threshold (see sections 37 and 38), measured in accordance with section 4.

Can a producer or importer of renewable fuel participate in the trading system?

Anyone, other than a primary supplier, who engages in one of the following activities, including a producer or importer of renewable fuel, may elect under section 11 to become a participant in the trading system:

- blending, by the fuel owner, of renewable fuel with petroleum fuel
- producing petroleum fuel² by using biocrude as a feedstock,
- importing petroleum fuel² with renewable fuel content, or

¹ Except for the first compliance period where it is any given 12-month period.

² Petroleum fuel other than gasoline, diesel fuel or heating distillate oil

- selling neat renewable fuel to a neat renewable fuel consumer, or using neat renewable fuel that they produced or imported themselves

Additional requirements of the Regulations apply to trading system participants (see related factsheet entitled *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Overview*.)

Where can I find more information?

For more general information on the Regulations, the trading system, important dates and reporting deadlines, see related factsheet entitled *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Overview*.

HOW TO STAY INFORMED?

Environment Canada also has the following information, available at:

www.ec.gc.ca/energie-energy/default.asp?lang=En&n=0AA71ED2-1

- *Renewable Fuels Regulations* (full text of Regulations)
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Overview*
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Primary Suppliers*
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Sellers of Fuel for Export*
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Blending Operations*
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: High-Renewable Content and Neat Renewable Fuels*
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Small-Volume Suppliers*
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Biodiesel Suppliers*
- *Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations: Excluded-Volumes-Only Suppliers*
- *Questions and Answers on the Federal Renewable Fuels Regulations*

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DID YOU KNOW?

There are a number of other federal fuel regulations that must be complied with, if applicable, namely:

- *Fuels Information Regulations, No. 1* (sulphur and additives reporting)
- *Gasoline Regulations* (lead and phosphorus)
- *Benzene in Gasoline Regulations*
- *Sulphur in Gasoline Regulations*
- *Sulphur in Diesel Fuel Regulations*
- *Contaminated Fuel Regulations*
- *Gasoline and Gasoline Blend Dispensing Flow Rate Regulations*
- *Regulations Prescribing Circumstances for Granting Waivers Pursuant to Section 147 of the Act*

For more information, refer to:

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