

Environmental Protection Agency

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has not been adequately demonstrated to EPA).

Original engine manufacturer (OEM). The entity which originally manufactured the engine.

Original production (OP) year. The calendar year in which the engine was originally produced by the OEM.

Original production (OP) years old. The age of an engine as determined by subtracting the original production year of the engine from the calendar year of importation.

Production changes. Those changes in the engine configuration, equipment or calibration which are made by an OEM in the course of engine production and required to be reported under § 90.123.

United States. United States includes the Customs territory of the United States as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1202, and the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

§ 90.603 [Reserved]

§ 90.604 General requirements.

(a) A nonconforming engine offered for importation into the United States may only be imported for purposes other than resale under § 90.611, or under the provisions of § 90.612, provided that an exemption or exclusion is granted by the Administrator.

(b) Final admission shall not be granted unless:

(1) The engine is imported for purposes other than resale under § 90.611; or

(2) The engine is exempted or excluded under § 90.612.

(c) An engine offered for importation may be admitted into the United States. In order to obtain admission, the importer must submit to the Administrator a written request for approval containing the following:

(1) Identification of the importer and the importer's address, telephone number, and taxpayer identification number;

(2) Identification of the engine owner, the owner's address, telephone number, and taxpayer identification number;

(3) Identification of the engine including make, model, identification number, and original production year;

(4) Information indicating under what provision of these regulations the engine is to be imported;

(5) Identification of the place where the subject engine is to be stored until EPA approval of the importer's application to the Administrator for final admission;

(6) Authorization for EPA enforcement officers to conduct inspections or testing otherwise permitted by the Act or regulations thereunder; and

(7) Such other information as is deemed necessary by the Administrator.

§ 90.605–90.610 [Reserved]

§ 90.611 Importation for purposes other than resale.

(a) Any individual may import on a one-time basis three or fewer nonconforming engines for purposes other than resale. Such importation by individuals is permitted without modification to the engines and without prior written approval of EPA. Importations under this provision shall be made by completing such applications as required by the Administrator. Such applications shall contain:

(1) Identification of the importer of the engine and the importer's address, telephone number, and taxpayer identification number;

(2) Identification of the engine owner, the owner's address, telephone number, and taxpayer identification number;

(3) The number of engines imported under § 90.611 by the individual;

(4) A statement that the individual has not previously imported any engines under § 90.611;

(5) A statement that the individual is not importing the engines for the purpose of resale;

(6) For each engine imported, identification of the engine including make, model, identification number, and original production year;

(7) Information indicating under what provision of these regulations the engine is to be imported;

(8) Authorization for EPA enforcement officers to conduct inspections permitted by the Act or regulations thereunder;

(9) Such other information as is deemed necessary by the Administrator.

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(b) EPA will not require a U.S. Customs Service bond for a nonconforming engine which is imported under § 90.611.

§ 90.612 Exemptions and exclusions.

(a) Individuals shall be eligible for importing engines into the United States under the provisions of this section, unless otherwise specified.

(b) Notwithstanding other requirements of this subpart, an engine entitled to one of the temporary exemptions of this paragraph may be conditionally admitted into the United States if prior written approval for the conditional admission is obtained from the Administrator. Conditional admission is to be under U.S. Customs Service bond. The Administrator may request that the U.S. Customs Service require a specific bond amount to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Act and this subpart. A written request for approval from the Administrator is to contain the identification required in § 90.604(c) and information that demonstrates that the importer is entitled to the exemption. Noncompliance with provisions of this section may result in the forfeiture of the total amount of the bond or exportation of the engine. The following temporary exemptions are permitted by this paragraph:

(1) *Exemption for repairs or alterations.* Upon written approval by EPA, an owner of engines may conditionally import under bond such engines solely for purpose of repair(s) or alteration(s). The engines may not be operated in the United States other than for the sole purpose of repair or alteration. They may not be sold or leased in the United States and are to be exported upon completion of the repair(s) or alteration(s).

(2) *Testing exemption.* A test engine may be conditionally imported by a person subject to the requirements of § 90.905. A test engine may be operated in the United States provided that the operation is an integral part of the test. This exemption is limited to a period not exceeding one year from the date of importation unless a request is made by the appropriate importer concerning the engine in accordance with § 90.905(f) for a subsequent one-year period.

(3) *Display exemptions.*

(i) An engine intended solely for display may be conditionally imported subject to the requirements of § 90.907.

(ii) A display engine may be imported by any person for purposes related to a business or the public interest. Such purposes do not include collections normally inaccessible or unavailable to the public on a daily basis, display of an engine at a dealership, private use, or other purpose that the Administrator determines is not appropriate for display exemptions. A display engine may not be sold in the United States and may not be operated in the United States except for the operation incident and necessary to the display purpose.

(iii) A temporary display exemption will be granted for 12 months (one year) or for the duration of the display purpose, whichever is shorter. Two extensions of up to 12 months (one year) each are available upon approval by the Administrator. In no circumstances, however, may the total period of exemption exceed 36 months (three years).

(c) Notwithstanding any other requirement of this subpart, an engine may be finally admitted into the United States under this paragraph if prior written approval for such final admission is obtained from the Administrator. Conditional admission of these engines under this subpart is not permitted for the purpose of obtaining such written approval from the Administrator. A request for approval is to contain the identification information required in § 90.604(c) and information that demonstrates that the importer is entitled to the exemption or exclusion. The following exemptions or exclusions are permitted by this paragraph:

(1) *National security exemption.* An engine may be imported under the national security exemption found at § 90.908.

(2) *Hardship exemption.* The Administrator may exempt on a case-by-case basis an engine from federal emission requirements to accommodate unforeseen cases of extreme hardship or extraordinary circumstances.

(3) *Exemption for engines identical to United States certified versions.*