

and nonroad vehicles and equipment containing such nonroad engines that are offered for importation or imported into the United States, but which engines, at the time of conditional importation, are not covered by certificates of conformity issued under section 213 and section 206(a) of the Clean Air Act as amended (that is, which are nonconforming nonroad engines as defined in § 89.602), and this part. Compliance with regulations under this subpart does not relieve any person or entity from compliance with other applicable provisions of the Clean Air Act.

(b) Regulations prescribing further procedures for the importation of nonroad engines and nonroad vehicles and equipment into the customs territory of the United States, as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1202, are set forth in U.S. Bureau of Customs regulations.

(c) For the purposes of this subpart, the term “nonroad engine” includes all nonroad engines incorporated into nonroad equipment or nonroad vehicles at the time they are imported or offered for import into the United States.

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§ 89.602 Definitions.

The definitions in subpart A of this part apply to this subpart. The following definitions also apply to this subpart.

Certificate of conformity. The document issued by the Administrator under section 213 and section 206(a) of the Act.

Currently valid certificate of conformity. A certificate of conformity for which the current date is within the effective period as specified on the certificate of conformity, and which has not been withdrawn, superseded, voided, suspended, revoked, or otherwise rendered invalid.

Fifteen working day hold period. The period of time between a request for final admission and the automatic granting of final admission (unless EPA intervenes) for a nonconforming nonroad engine conditionally imported pursuant to § 89.605 or § 89.609. Day one of the hold period is the first working day (see definition for “working day” in this section) after the Engine Programs and Compliance Division of EPA

receives a complete and valid application for final admission.

Independent commercial importer (ICI). An importer who is not an original engine manufacturer (OEM) (see definition below), but is the entity in whose name a certificate of conformity for a class of nonroad engines has been issued.

Model year for imported engines. The manufacturer’s annual production period (as determined by the Administrator) which includes January 1 of the calendar year; provided, that if the manufacturer has no annual production period, the term “model year” means the calendar year in which a nonroad engine is modified. An independent commercial importer (ICI) is deemed to have produced a nonroad engine when the ICI has modified (including labeling) the nonconforming nonroad engine to meet applicable emission requirements.

Nonconforming nonroad engine. A nonroad engine which is not covered by a certificate of conformity prior to final or conditional admission (or for which such coverage has not been adequately demonstrated to EPA) and which has not been finally admitted into the United States under the provisions of § 89.605 or § 89.609.

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

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

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

Production changes. Those changes in nonroad engine configuration, equipment, or calibration which are made by an OEM or ICI in the course of nonroad engine production and required to be reported under § 89.123.

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.

Useful life. A period of time as specified in subpart B of this part which for

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a nonconforming nonroad engine begins at the time of resale (for a nonroad engine owned by the ICI at the time of importation) or release to the owner (for a nonroad engine not owned by the ICI at the time of importation) of the nonroad engine by the ICI after modification and/or testing pursuant to § 89.605 or § 89.609.

Working day. Any day on which federal government offices are open for normal business. Saturdays, Sundays, and official federal holidays are not working days.

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§ 89.603 General requirements for importation of nonconforming nonroad engines.

(a) A nonconforming nonroad engine offered for importation into the United States is to be imported only by an Independent Commercial Importer (ICI) who is a holder of a currently valid certificate of conformity unless an exemption or exclusion is granted by the Administrator under § 89.611 of this subpart. For a nonroad engine imported pursuant to § 89.605, the ICI must hold a currently valid certificate of conformity for that specific nonroad engine model.

(b) Any nonroad engine imported into the United States must have a legible unique engine identification number permanently affixed to or engraved on the engine.

(c) Final admission may not be granted unless:

(1) The nonroad engine is covered by a certificate of conformity issued under subpart B of this part in the name of the ICI and the ICI has complied with all requirements of § 89.605; or

(2) The nonroad engine is modified and emission tested in accordance with the provisions of § 89.609 and the ICI has complied with all other requirements of § 89.609; or

(3) The nonroad engine is exempted or excluded under § 89.611.

(d) The ICI must submit to the Engine Programs and Compliance Division of EPA a copy of all approved applications for certification used to obtain certificates of conformity for the purpose of importing nonconforming

nonroad engines pursuant to § 89.605 or § 89.609. In addition, the ICI must submit to the Engine Programs and Compliance Division a copy of all approved production changes implemented pursuant to § 89.605 or subpart B of this part. Documentation submitted pursuant to this paragraph (d) must be provided to the Engine Programs and Compliance Division within 10 working days of approval of the certification application (or production change) by EPA.

(e)(1) The applicable emission standards for engines imported by an ICI under this subpart are the emission standards applicable to the Original Production (OP) year of the engine.

(2) Where engine manufacturers have choices in emission standards for one or more pollutants in a given model year, the standard that applies to the ICI is the least stringent standard for that pollutant applicable to the OP year for the appropriate power category.

(3) ICIs may not generate, use or trade emission credits or otherwise participate in any way in the averaging, banking and trading program.

(4) An ICI may import no more than a total of five engines under this part for any given model year, except as allowed by paragraph (e)(5) of this section. For ICIs owned by a parent company, the importation limit includes importation by the parent company and all its subsidiaries.

(5) An ICI may exceed the limit outlined in paragraph (e)(4) of this section, provided that any engines in excess of the limit meet the emission standards and other requirements outlined in the applicable provisions of Part 89 or 1039 of this chapter for the model year in which the engine is modified (instead of the emission standards and other requirements applicable for the OP year of the vehicle/engine).

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§ 89.604 Conditional admission.

(a) A nonroad engine offered for importation under § 89.605 or § 89.609 may be conditionally admitted into the United States. These engines are refused final admission, unless at the