

Subpart J—Exclusion and Exemption of Nonroad Engines from Regulations

§ 90.901 Applicability.

The requirements of subpart J are applicable to all nonroad engines and vehicles subject to the provisions of subpart A of part 90.

§ 90.902 Definitions.

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

Exemption means exemption from the prohibitions of § 90.1003.

Export exemption means an exemption granted under § 90.1004(b) for the purpose of exporting new nonroad engines.

National security exemption means an exemption granted under § 90.1004(b) for the purpose of national security.

Manufacturer-owned nonroad engine means an uncertified nonroad engine owned and controlled by a nonroad engine manufacturer and used in a manner not involving lease or sale by itself or in a vehicle employed from year to year in the ordinary course of business for product development, production method assessment, and market promotion purposes.

Testing exemption means an exemption granted under § 90.1004(b) for the purpose of research, investigations, studies, demonstrations or training, but not including national security.

§ 90.903 Exclusions, application of section 216 (10) and (11) of the Act.

(a) For the purpose of determining the applicability of section 216(10) of the Act, an internal combustion engine (including the fuel system) that is not used in a motor vehicle is deemed a nonroad engine, if it meets the definition in subpart A of this part. For the purpose of determining the applicability of section 216(11) of the Act, a vehicle powered by a nonroad engine is deemed a nonroad vehicle, if it meets the definition in subpart A of this part.

(b) EPA will maintain a list of models of nonroad engines and models of nonroad vehicles that have been determined to be excluded because they are used solely for competition. This list will be available to the public and may

be obtained by writing to the following address: Group Manager, Engine Compliance Programs Group, Engine Programs and Compliance Division (6403J) Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

(c) Upon written request with supporting documentation, EPA will make written determinations as to whether certain engines are or are not nonroad engines. Engines that are determined not to be nonroad engines are excluded from regulations under this part.

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§ 90.904 Who may request an exemption.

(a) Any person may request a testing exemption under § 90.905.

(b) Any nonroad engine manufacturer may request a national security exemption under § 90.908.

(c) For nonroad engine manufacturers, nonroad engines manufactured for export purposes are exempt without application, subject to the provisions of § 90.909.

(d) For eligible manufacturers, as determined by § 90.906, manufacturer-owned nonroad engines are exempt without application, subject to the provisions of § 90.906.

(e) For any person, display nonroad engines are exempt without application, subject to the provisions of § 90.907.

§ 90.905 Testing exemption.

(a) Any person requesting a testing exemption must demonstrate the following:

(1) That the proposed test program has a purpose which constitutes an appropriate basis for an exemption in accordance with § 90.1004(b), and in accordance with subsection (b) of this section;

(2) That the proposed test program necessitates the granting of an exemption, in accordance with subsection (c) of this section;

(3) That the proposed test program exhibits reasonableness in scope, in accordance with subsection (d) of this section; and

(4) That the proposed test program exhibits a degree of control consonant with the purpose of the program and

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EPA's monitoring requirements, in accordance with subsection (e) of this section.

(b) With respect to the purpose of the proposed test program, an appropriate purpose would be research, investigations, studies, demonstrations, or training, but not national security. A concise statement of purpose is a required item of information.

(c) With respect to the necessity that an exemption be granted, necessity arises from an inability to achieve the stated purpose in a practicable manner without performing or causing to be performed one or more of the prohibited acts under § 90.1003. In appropriate circumstances, time constraints may be a sufficient basis for necessity, but the cost of certification alone, in the absence of extraordinary circumstances, is not a basis for necessity.

(d) With respect to reasonableness, a test program must exhibit a duration of reasonable length and affect a reasonable number of engines. In this regard, required items of information include:

(1) An estimate of the program's duration; and

(2) The maximum number of nonroad engines involved.

(e) With respect to control, the test program must incorporate procedures consistent with the purpose of the test and be capable of affording EPA monitoring capability. As a minimum, required items of information include:

(1) The technical nature of the test;

(2) The site of the test;

(3) The duration and accumulated engine operation associated with the test;

(4) The ownership arrangement with regard to the engines involved in the test;

(5) The intended final disposition of the engines;

(6) The manner in which the engines used in the test will be identified, and that identification recorded, and made available; and

(7) The means or procedure whereby test results will be recorded.

(f) A manufacturer of new nonroad engines may request a testing exemption to cover nonroad engines intended for use in test programs planned or anticipated over the course of a subse-

quent one-year period. Unless otherwise required by the Director, Engine Programs and Compliance Division, a manufacturer requesting such an exemption need only furnish the information required by paragraphs (a)(1) and (d)(2) of this section along with a description of the recordkeeping and control procedures that will be employed to assure that the engines are used for purposes consistent with § 90.1004(b).

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§ 90.906 Manufacturer-owned exemption and precertification exemption.

(a) Any manufacturer owned nonroad engine, as defined by § 90.902, is exempt from § 90.1003, without application, if the manufacturer complies with the following terms and conditions:

(1) The manufacturer must establish, maintain, and retain the following adequately organized and indexed information on each exempted engine:

(i) Engine identification number;

(ii) Use of the engine on exempt status; and

(iii) Final disposition of any engine removed from exempt status.

(2) The manufacturer must provide right of entry and access to these records to EPA authorized representatives as required by § 90.506.

(3) Unless the requirement is waived or an alternative procedure is approved by the Director, Engine Programs and Compliance Division, the manufacturer must permanently affix a label to each nonroad engine on exempt status. This label should:

(i) Be affixed in a readily visible portion of the engine;

(ii) Be attached in such a manner that it cannot be removed without destruction or defacement;

(iii) State in the English language and in block letters and numerals of a color that contrasts with the background of the label, the following information:

(A) The label heading "Emission Control Information;"

(B) Full corporate name and trademark of manufacturer;

(C) Engine displacement, engine family identification, and model year of