



AIR POLLUTION ACT 1987 (PETROLEUM VAPOUR EMISSIONS) REGULATIONS 1997

SECOND SCHEDULE (Section 1)

Particulars to be included in a certificate of testing by an approved assessor that a **SERVICE STATION** complies with the requirements of **Article 10 of the Air Pollution Act 1987 (Petroleum Vapour Emissions) Regulations, 1997.**

- 1 Name of service station manager: _____
- 2 Address/registered office of manager: _____
- 3 Address _____ of _____ service _____ station: _____
- 4 Service station throughput in Cubic Meters (largest total annual quantity loaded/unloaded at service station in the three years preceding this test): _____
- 5 Date of testing: _____
- 6 Brief description of tests carried out: _____

- 7 (If applicable) State date of most recent test.: _____

Declaration;

I, _____ (*please print name*), hereby confirm that I have tested the above service station on _____ (*insert date*) for compliance with the provisions of the Air Pollution Act, 1987 (Petroleum Vapour Emissions) Regulations, 1997 and to the best of my knowledge and belief this service station is in compliance with the said provisions.

Signed: _____ Qualification / Profession: _____ Dated _____

Assessor Company Name and Address: _____

Forward completed form to The Environment Section, Tipperary County Council, Civic Offices, Clonmel.



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GUIDANCE NOTES FOR APPLICANT

AIR POLLUTION ACT 1987 and the Air Pollution Act, 1987, (Petroleum Vapour Emissions) Regulations, 1997

1. The Petroleum Vapour Emissions Regulations 1997 are made under the Air Pollution Act.
2. Under these regulations loading operations may not take place unless arrangements are in place for the vapour displaced by the delivery of petrol to service stations to be returned through a vapour-tight connection line to the road tanker delivering the petrol.
3. However, the EU Directive which gave rise to the Petroleum Vapour Emissions Regulations 1997 includes an **exemption for petrol filling stations which have a throughput of less than 100m³ per year** (100,000 litres per year).
4. The regulations provide for the monitoring of compliance of service station and mobile container operators by local authorities.
5. The regulations require that where a vapour recovery system is required the petrol station must have a current **Certificate of Testing** from the local authority.
6. **Failure to comply with the regulations is an offence under the Air Pollution Act and penalties apply.**
7. In order to apply for a Certificate of Testing the petrol station operator firstly needs to have the vapour recovery system tested by an **approved assessor**.
8. The approved assessor carries out the relevant tests and prepares a report.
9. This report should be submitted to the local authority, with an **accompanying application fee of €63.50**
10. Assuming the report is satisfactory the local authority can then issue the Certificate of Testing.
11. To be included on the approved assessors list, assessors need to demonstrate appropriate knowledge, training and experience and to be free from commercial ties with the service station for at least 5 years.
12. The Certificate of Testing can be issued for a **maximum period of 3 years** and must be renewed on expiry.



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