

Vapor Recovery Testing Requirements

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Annual Vapor Recovery testing is required Annually! The testing can be conducted at anytime during the calendar year between January 1st and December 31st. Some older Permits to Operate for Gasoline Dispensing Stations may still have permit conditions for source testing that requires testing during a two month period. This document supersedes that permit condition.

COMPLIANCE TIPS

- ✓ Test when you're slow
- ✓ Test in conjunction with other agency testing
- ✓ Test when you want, as long as it is complete during each calendar year
- ✓ Don't wait till December; contractors and dates may not be available
- ✓ It is a violation to fail to test during any calendar year

NOTIFICATION AND SUBMITTAL OF TEST RESULTS REQUIREMENTS

The Monterey Bay Air Resources District (MBARD) has the following requirements for all Vapor Recovery Testing; the failure to comply with the following regulations may result in issuance of a Notice of Noncompliance to the facility owner and/or tester.

MBARD Rule 1002 section 4.6.2 and MBARD protocols requires any person who conducts testing at gasoline dispensing facilities to comply with all of the following:

1. Have current International Code Council Vapor Recovery Testing certification as specified in Section 3.8. See *MBARD advisory, "Vapor Recovery Certification Requirements for Technicians"*.
 2. Conduct testing in accordance with the applicable test methods listed in Section 4.7.
 3. Conduct testing using calibrated equipment meeting the calibration range and calibration intervals specified by the ARB Executive Order.
 4. Accurately report results of tests in all reports and notices required by MBARD.
 5. Notify the MBARD prior to testing. This notification shall be submitted on approved notification form by email to (VRtesting@mbard.org). The email subject line should
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adhere to the following format: Source Company Name, Permit to Operate #, Document Date.

6. Notify MBARD within 24 hours of any test(s) that the gasoline dispensing facility could not pass by the end of the day's testing. This notification shall be made by emailing a completed MBARD Form "24 Hour Notification of Vapor Recovery Test Failure" to MBARD's Compliance Division.
7. Submit the written test report to MBARD within 30 calendar days following the completion of any testing required by this Rule. Test reports shall be in the forms specified by the California Air Resources Board and shall be transmitted via email to VRtesting@mbard.org under cover of a completed MBARD Form "Transmittal of Vapor Recovery Test Report".

Testing forms can be found on MBARD's webpage at www.mbard.org. If you have any questions or concerns regarding Vapor Recovery Testing, please contact Isabel Navoa in the Compliance Division at 831-647-9411 or by email at INavoa@mbard.org.