

Where can I go for help?

If you have any additional questions about EPA's General Provisions or about how the General Provisions affect a relevant standard, then contact one of the following, based on the type of information you're seeking:

If you're looking for ...	Then contact ...	For further information visit ...
Technical rule questions*	State or local air pollution control agency	www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/stprogs.html
	EPA Regional Office serving your area	www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/regions.html
	Applicability Determination Index	www.epa.gov/Compliance/assistance/applicability/caa.htm
Compliance assistance	EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards	www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/eparules.html
	General Provisions website	www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/gp/gppg.html
	National Compliance Assistance Clearinghouse	www.epa.gov/clearinghouse/
	Education and outreach	www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/educout.html

* Providers of technical assistance often provide compliance assistance materials and tools.

EPA's Air Toxics Website One-stop shopping for air toxics information ...

General Provisions [40 CFR Part 63, Subpart A]:
www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/gp/gppg.html

Source Category List [section 112(c), for section (d)]:
www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/socatlst/socatpg.html

Residual Risk [section 112(f)]:
www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/residriskpg.html

New/Reconstructed Sources [section 112(g)]:
www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/112g/112gpg.html

Work Practice Standards [section 112(h)]:
www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/112hpg.html

Equivalent Emission Limitations by Permit [section 112(j)]:
www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/112j/112jaypg.html

Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAP):
www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/188polls.html



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Part 63 Subpart A — General Provisions for National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories — An Overview



What the Part 63 Subpart A General Provisions are all about

The Part 63 General Provisions were originally published on March 16, 1994 (59 FR 12430). The intent of the General Provisions was to put into one subpart (Subpart A) many of the requirements common to all part 63 standards. The General Provisions amendments were finalized on April 5, 2002 (67 FR 16582).

Some individual part 63 standards may have requirements that differ from Subpart A. In such cases, the requirements within the standard should be followed. A table in the back of the standard will indicate which General Provisions sections apply and which do not.

To whom do the General Provisions apply?

The General Provisions apply to you if you're a source that is regulated by any standard or other requirement that falls under a source category listed under section 112(c) [List of Source Categories] of the Clean Air Act **and** you're subject to any of the following:

- Part 63 National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) under section 112(d) [Emission Standards], also referred to as MACT standards
- "Residual risk" standards [112(f)]
- NESHAP work practice standards [112(h)]
- Equivalent emission limitations by permit MACT determinations [112(j)]

If you're a new or "reconstructed" source that doesn't fall under a source category listed under section 112(c), but you have the potential to emit

hazardous air pollutants (HAP) at a rate of at least 10 tons per year of a single pollutant or at least 25 tons per year of a combination of pollutants, then you may be subject to requirements under section 112(g). 112(g) is a transitional measure to ensure that HAP emissions don't increase if a facility is constructed or reconstructed before a MACT standard is issued for that particular category of sources. If you are subject to section 112(g), then you must also comply with the General Provisions.

See the reverse page for websites on: the General Provisions; sections 112(c), (f), (g), (h) and (j) of the Clean Air Act; and HAP.

What types of requirements are in the General Provisions?

The General Provisions include requirements for both new and existing sources. The requirements covered by the General Provisions are grouped into 15 sections:

1. Applicability
2. Definitions
3. Units and Abbreviations
4. Prohibited Activities and Circumvention
5. Preconstruction Review and Notification Requirements
6. Compliance With Standards and Maintenance Requirements
7. Performance Testing Requirements
8. Monitoring Requirements
9. Notification Requirements
10. Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements
11. Control Device Requirements (Flares)
12. State Authority and Delegations
13. Addresses of State Air Pollution Control Agencies and EPA Regional Offices
14. Incorporations by Reference
15. Availability of Information and Confidentiality

An index to the General Provisions is available under EPA's General Provisions website, www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/gp/keyword.pdf. The index identifies key words and topics, with references to applicable sections.

How do I know whether I'm a new or existing source?

To determine whether you're a new or existing source under the General Provisions, you must first determine the initial startup of your affected source and the proposal date of the standard to which you're subject.

If your initial startup is ...	Then you're considered ...	And must comply with the relevant standard by ...
On or before the proposal date	An existing source	By the compliance date of the relevant standard [§63.6(e)(1)]
After the proposal date	A new source	At startup or by the effective date of the standard, whichever is later [§63.6(b)]. Exception: If the promulgated standard is more stringent than the proposed one, comply not later than 3 years after the effective date of the standard [§63.6(b)(3)].

How have the General Provisions changed since original promulgation?

On April 5, 2002, the EPA finalized (promulgated) amendments that revised many sections within the General Provisions. An overview table that describes these changes can be found at www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/gp/signifchan.pdf.

Are tools available to help me understand my requirements?

You can see what is currently planned by going to the General Provisions Implementation Plan at www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/gp/gpplan.html.

You may also visit the General Provisions Rule and Implementation page at www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/gp/gppg.html for more information about this rule.