

SUBARTICLE 5
LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS

71-8304. LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM (LP) GAS.

(Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 23-9-20, 23-9-40, 23-9-60, 40-82-70.)

71-8304.1. General.

A. The purpose of this regulation is to provide reasonable protection of the health, welfare, and safety of the public and LP-Gas operators from the hazards associated with the handling, use, transportation, and storage of LP-Gas.

B. These regulations apply to:

1. LP-Gas Dealers, Installers, Gas Plants, Wholesalers, Resellers, or Cylinder Exchange operators and;
2. Any person handling, dispensing, transporting, or storing LP-Gas.

C. These regulations shall not apply to:

1. LP-Gas pipeline transmission.
2. Gas plants after the point where LP-Gas or LP-Gas and air mixture enters a utility distribution system.
3. Natural gas systems covered by the IFGC.

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71-8304.2. Codes and Standards.

A. All references to codes and standards found in these regulations refer to the editions adopted in R.71-8300.2 and are modified by the following regulations as shown below.

B. The building code shall define occupancy classifications referenced in these regulations.

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71-8304.3. Licensing and Permitting Fees.

A. The OSFM is responsible for all administrative activities of the licensing program. The SFM shall employ and supervise personnel necessary to effectuate the provisions of this article and shall establish fees sufficient but not excessive to cover expenses, including direct and indirect costs to the State for the operation of this licensing program. Fees may be adjusted not more than once each two years, using the method set out in S.C. Code Ann. Section 40-1-50(D), 1976, as amended.

B. Fees shall be established for the following:

1. Application
2. Testing
3. Permitting
4. Licensing
5. Inspection
6. Renewal

C. All fees are due at time of application for licenses, testing, permits, inspection, or renewal.

D. All fees paid to the OSFM are nonrefundable.

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71-8304.4. Licensing Requirements.

A. Licenses

1. Each company shall possess a license issued by the OSFM.
2. Licenses shall be displayed in a conspicuous location at the place of business for the LP-Gas Dealer, Installer, Gas Plant, Wholesaler, Reseller, or Cylinder Exchange operator.

B. Permits

1. Each site shall have a designated person that has a permit issued by the OSFM to supervise people handling, dispensing, installing, transporting, repairing, or exchanging LP-Gas.
2. Any applicant who fails the written examination is allowed one (1) re-test after a minimum seven (7) day waiting period. Any applicant who fails the re-test shall wait at least thirty (30) days before reapplying.
3. Permits shall bear the name, photograph, and any other identifying information deemed necessary by the OSFM.
4. Permit holders shall have their permit in their possession when supervising the handling, dispensing, installing, manufacturing, transporting, repairing, or exchanging LP-Gas.
5. Permit holders shall exhibit their permits on request of any AHJ.
6. Permits shall expire on the day of expiration shown on the permit and shall be renewed biennially.
7. Permits issued under this subarticle are not transferable.
8. Expired permits shall not be renewed. A new permit shall be obtained by complying with all requirements and procedures for an original permit.

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71-8304.5. Plan Submittal Requirements.

Licenses that are required to obtain a site approval per S.C. Code Ann. Section 40-82-220, 1976, as amended, shall comply with the plan submittal requirements of the applicable codes and standards referenced in R.71-8304.2.

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