(4) Purified synthetic air (Contamination ≤ 1 ppm C, ≤ 1 ppm CO, ≤ 400 ppm CO₂, ≤ 0.1 ppm NO) (Oxygen content between 18–21 percent vol.)

(c) Calibration and span gases. (1) Calibration gas values are to be derived from NIST Standard Reference Materials (SRM’s) or other standardized gas samples and are to be single blends as listed in the following paragraph.

(2) Mixtures of gases having the following chemical compositions shall be available:

(i) C₃H₈ and purified synthetic air;
(ii) C₃H₈ and purified nitrogen (optional for raw measurements);
(iii) CO and purified nitrogen;
(iv) NOₓ and purified nitrogen (the amount of NO₂ contained in this calibration gas must not exceed 5 percent of the NO content);
(v) CO₂ and purified nitrogen.

(3) The true concentration of a span gas must be within ±2 percent of the NIST gas standard. The true concentration of a calibration gas must be within ±1 percent of the NIST gas standard. The use of precision blending devices (gas dividers) to obtain the required calibration gas concentrations is acceptable, provided that the blended gases are accurate to within ±1.5 percent of NIST gas standards, or other gas standards which have been approved by the Administrator. This accuracy implies that primary gases used (or blending) must be “named” to an accuracy of at least ±1 percent, traceable to NIST or other approved gas standards. All concentrations of calibration gas shall be given on a volume basis (volume percent or volume ppm).

(4) The gas concentrations used for calibration and span may also be obtained by means of a gas divider, either diluting with purified N₂ or diluting with purified synthetic air. The accuracy of the mixing device must be such that the concentration of the diluted gases may be determined to within ±2 percent.

(d) Oxygen interference check gases shall contain propane with 350 ppmC ±75 ppmC hydrocarbon. The three oxygen interference gases shall contain 21% ± 1% O₂, 10% ± 1% O₂, and 5% ± 1% O₂. The concentration value shall be determined to calibration gas tolerances by chromatographic analysis of total hydrocarbons plus impurities or by dynamic blending. Nitrogen shall be the predominant diluent with the balance oxygen.

(e) Fuel for the FID shall be a blend of 40 percent ±2 percent hydrogen with the balance being helium. The mixture shall contain less than 1 ppm equivalent carbon response; 98 to 100 percent hydrogen fuel may be used with advance approval of the Administrator.

(f) Hydrocarbon analyzer burner air. The concentration of oxygen for raw sampling must be within 1 mole percent of the oxygen concentration of the burner air used in the latest oxygen interference check (%O₂I). If the difference in oxygen concentration is greater than 1 mole percent, then the oxygen interference must be checked and, if necessary, the analyzer adjusted to meet the %O₂I requirements. The burner air must contain less than 2 ppmC hydrocarbon.

(g) Gases for the methane analyzer shall be single blends of methane using air as the diluent.

§89.313 Initial calibration of analyzers.

(a) Warming-up time. The warming-up time should be according to the recommendations of the manufacturer. If not specified, a minimum of two hours shall be allowed for warming up the analyzers.

(b) NDIR and HFID analyzer. The NDIR analyzer shall be tuned and maintained according to the instrument manufacturer’s instructions. The combustion flame of the HFID analyzer shall be optimized in order to meet the specifications in §89.319(b)(2).

(c) Zero setting and calibration. (1) Using purified synthetic air (or nitrogen), the CO, CO₂, NOₓ, and HC analyzers shall be set at zero.

(2) Introduce the appropriate calibration gases to the analyzers and the values recorded. The same gas flow rates shall be used as when sampling exhaust.
§ 89.314 Pre- and post-test calibration of analyzers.

Each operating range used during the test shall be checked prior to and after each test in accordance with the following procedure. (A chronic need for parameter adjustment can indicate a need for instrument maintenance.):
(a) The calibration is checked by using a zero gas and a span gas whose nominal value is between 75 percent and 100 percent of full-scale, inclusive, of the measuring range.
(b) After the end of the final mode, a zero gas and the same span gas will be used for rechecking. As an option, the zero and span may be rechecked at the end of each mode or each test segment. The analysis will be considered acceptable if the difference between the two measuring results is less than 2 percent of full scale.

§ 89.315 Analyzer bench checks.

(a) Prior to initial use and after major repairs verify that each analyzer complies with the specifications given in Table 3 in appendix A of this subpart.
(b) If a stainless steel NO₂ to NO converter is used, condition all new or replacement converters. The conditioning consists of either purging the converter with air for a minimum of 4 hours or until the converter efficiency is greater than 90 percent. The converter must be at operational temperature while purging. Do not use this procedure prior to checking converter efficiency on in-use converters.

§ 89.316 Analyzer leakage and response time.

(a) Vacuum side leak check. (1) Any location within the analysis system where a vacuum leak could affect the test results must be checked.

(2) The maximum allowable leakage rate on the vacuum side is 0.5 percent of the in-use flow rate for the portion of the system being checked. The analyzer flows and bypass flows may be used to estimate the in-use flow rates.

(3) The sample probe and the connection between the sample probe and valve V2 (see Figure 1 in appendix B of this subpart) may be excluded from the leak check.

(b) [Reserved]

(c) The response time shall be accounted for in all emission measurement and calculations.

§ 89.317 NOₓ converter check.

(a) Prior to its introduction into service, and monthly thereafter, the chemiluminescent oxides of nitrogen analyzer shall be checked for NO₂ to NO converter efficiency. Figure 2 in appendix B of this subpart is a reference for the following paragraphs.

(b) Follow good engineering practices for instrument start-up and operation. Adjust the analyzer to optimize performance.

(c) Zero the oxides of nitrogen analyzer with zero-grade air or zero-grade nitrogen.

(d) Connect the outlet of the NOₓ generator analyzer-system to the sample inlet of the oxides of nitrogen analyzer which has been set to the most common operating range.

(e) Introduce into the NOₓ generator analyzer-system an NO-in-nitrogen (N₂) mixture with an NO concentration equal to approximately 80 percent of the most common operating range. The NO₂ content of the gas mixture shall be less than 5 percent of the NO concentration.

(f) With the oxides of nitrogen analyzer in the NO mode, record the concentration of NO indicated by the analyzer.

(g) Turn on the NOₓ generator O₂ (or air) supply and adjust the O₂ (or air) flow rate so that the NO indicated by the analyzer is about 10 percent less than indicated in paragraph (f) of this section. Record the concentration of NO in this NO+O₂ mixture.