§ 94.207 Special test procedures.

(a) Establishment of special test procedures by EPA. The Administrator may, on the basis of written application by a manufacturer, establish special test procedures other than those set forth in this part, for any engine that the Administrator determines is not susceptible to satisfactory testing under the specified test procedures set forth in Subpart B of this part.

(b) Use of alternate test procedures by a manufacturer. (1) A manufacturer may elect to use an alternate test procedure, provided that it is equivalent to the specified procedures with respect to the demonstration of compliance, its use is approved in advance by the Administrator, and the basis for the equivalence with the specified test procedures is fully described in the manufacturer’s application.

(2) The Administrator may reject data generated under alternate test procedures if the data do not correlate with data generated under the specified procedures.

§ 94.208 Certification.

(a) If, after a review of the application for certification, test reports and data acquired from an engine or from a development data engine, and any other information required or obtained by EPA, the Administrator determines that the application is complete and that the engine family meets the requirements of the Act and this part, he/she will issue a certificate of conformity with respect to such engine family, except as provided by paragraph (c)(3) of this section. The certificate of conformity is valid for each engine family starting with the indicated effective date, but it is not valid for any production after December 31 of the model year for which it is issued. The certificate of conformity is valid upon such terms and conditions as the Administrator deems necessary or appropriate to ensure that the production engines covered by the certificate will meet the requirements of the Act and of this part.

(b) [Reserved]

(c)(1) The manufacturer shall bear the burden of establishing to the satisfaction of the Administrator that the conditions upon which the certificates were issued were satisfied or excused.

(2) The Administrator will determine whether the test data included in the application represents all engines of the engine family.

(3) Notwithstanding the fact that any engine(s) may comply with other provisions of this subpart, the Administrator may withhold or deny the issuance of any certificate of conformity, or suspend or revoke any such certificate(s) which has (have) been issued with respect to any such engine(s) if:

(i) The manufacturer submits false or incomplete information in its application for certification thereof;

(ii) The manufacturer renders inaccurate any test data which it submits pertaining thereto or otherwise circumvents the intent of the Act, or of this part with respect to such engine;

(iii) Any EPA Enforcement Officer is denied access on the terms specified in §94.215 to any facility or portion thereof which contains any of the following: (A) An engine which is scheduled to undergo emissions testing, or which is undergoing emissions testing, or which has undergone emissions testing; or

(B) Any components used or considered for use in the construction, modification or buildup of any engine which is scheduled to undergo emissions testing, or which is undergoing emissions
testing, or which has undergone emissions testing for purposes of emissions certification; or
(C) Any production engine which is or will be claimed by the manufacturer to be covered by the certificate; or
(D) Any step in the construction of the engine; or
(E) Any records, documents, reports or histories required by this part to be kept concerning any of the items listed in paragraphs (c)(3)(iii)(A) through (D) of this section; or
(iv) Any EPA Enforcement Officer is denied “reasonable assistance” (as defined in §94.215).
(4) In any case in which a manufacturer knowingly submits false or inaccurate information or knowingly renders inaccurate or invalid any test data or commits any other fraudulent acts and such acts contribute substantially to the Administrator’s decision to issue a certificate of conformity, the Administrator may deem such certificate void ab initio.
(5) In any case in which certification of an engine is to be withheld, denied, revoked or suspended under paragraph (c)(3) of this section, and in which the Administrator has presented to the manufacturer involved reasonable evidence that a violation of §94.215 in fact occurred, the manufacturer, if it wishes to contend that, even though the violation occurred, the engine in question was not involved in the violation to a degree that would warrant withholding, denial, revocation or suspension of certification under paragraph (c)(3) of this section, shall have the burden of establishing that contention to the satisfaction of the Administrator.
(6) Any revocation, suspension, or voiding of certification under paragraph (c)(3) of this section shall:
(i) Be made only after the manufacturer concerned has been offered an opportunity for a hearing conducted in accordance with §94.216; and
(ii) Extend no further than to forbid the introduction into commerce of engines previously covered by the certification which are still in the hands of the manufacturer, except in cases of such fraud or other misconduct that makes the certification invalid ab initio.
(7) The manufacturer may request, within 30 days of receiving notification, that any determination made by the Administrator under paragraph (c)(3) of this section to withhold or deny certification be reviewed in a hearing conducted in accordance with §94.216. The request shall be in writing, signed by an authorized representative of the manufacturer and shall include a statement specifying the manufacturer’s objections to the Administrator’s determinations, and data in support of such objections. If the Administrator finds, after a review of the request and supporting data, that the request raises a substantial factual issue, he/she will grant the request with respect to such issue.
(d) In approving an application for certification, the Administrator may specify or require the manufacturer to specify:
(1) A broader range of adjustability than recommended by the manufacturer for those engine parameters which are subject to adjustment, if the Administrator determines that it is not reasonable to expect the parameter to be kept adjusted within the recommended range in use;
(2) A longer useful life period, if the Administrator determines that the useful life of the engines in the engine family, as defined in §94.2, is longer than the period specified by the manufacturer;
(3) Larger deterioration factors, if the Administrator determines that the deterioration factors specified by the manufacturer do not meet the requirements of §94.218; and/or
(4) A broader Not to Exceed Zone subject to the provisions of §94.106(b).
(e) Within 30 days following receipt of notification of the Administrator’s determinations made under paragraph (d) of this section, the manufacturer may request a hearing on the Administrator’s determinations. The request shall be in writing, signed by an authorized representative of the manufacturer and shall include a statement specifying the manufacturer’s objections to the Administrator’s determinations and data in support of such objections. If, after review of the request and supporting data, the Administrator finds that the request raises a
§ 94.209 Special provisions for post-manufacture marinizers and small-volume manufacturers.

The provisions of this section apply for Category 1 and Category 2 engines, but not for Category 3 engines.

(a) Broader engine families. Instead of the requirements of §94.204, an engine family may consist of any or all of a manufacturer’s engines within a given category. This does not change any of the requirements of this part for showing that an engine family meets emission standards. To be eligible to use the provisions of this paragraph (a), the manufacturer must demonstrate one of the following:

(1) It is a post-manufacture marinizer and that the base engines used for modification have a valid certificate of conformity issued under 40 CFR part 89 or 40 CFR part 92 or the heavy-duty engine provisions of 40 CFR part 86.

(2) It is a small-volume manufacturer.

(b) Hardship relief. Post-manufacture marinizers, small-volume manufacturers, and small-volume boat builders may take any of the otherwise prohibited actions identified in §94.1103(a)(1) if approved in advance by the Administrator, subject to the following requirements:

(1) Application for relief must be submitted to the Designated Officer in writing prior to the earliest date in which the applying manufacturer would be in violation of §94.1103. The manufacturer must submit evidence showing that the requirements for approval have been met.

(2) The conditions causing the impending violation must not be substantially the fault of the applying manufacturer.

(3) The conditions causing the impending violation must jeopardize the solvency of the applying manufacturer if relief is not granted.

(4) The applying manufacturer must demonstrate that no other allowances under this part will be available to avoid the impending violation.

(5) Any relief may not exceed one year beyond the date relief is granted.

(6) The Administrator may impose other conditions on the granting of relief including provisions to recover the lost environmental benefit.

(7) The manufacturer must add a permanent, legible label, written in block letters in English, to a readily visible part of each engine exempted under this paragraph (b).

This label must include at least the following items:

(i) The label heading “EMISSION CONTROL INFORMATION”.

(ii) Your corporate name and trade-mark.

(iii) Engine displacement (in liters), rated power, and model year of the engine or whom to contact for further information.

(iv) The statement “THIS ENGINE IS EXEMPT UNDER 40 CFR 94.209(b) FROM EMISSION STANDARDS AND RELATED REQUIREMENTS.”.

(c) Extension of deadlines. Small-volume manufacturers may use the provisions of 40 CFR 1068.250 to ask for an extension of a deadline to meet emission standards. We may require that you use available base engines that have been certified to emission standards for land-based engines until you are able to produce engines certified to the requirements of this part.