(e) All fuels included in vehicle testing programs shall have an octane number of 87.5, as measured by the \((R+M)/2\) method following the ASTM D4814 procedures, to within the measurement and blending tolerances specified in paragraph (c) of this section.

(f) A single batch of each addition or extension fuel shall be used throughout the duration of the testing program.

§ 80.50 General test procedure requirements for augmentation of the emission models.

(a) The following test procedure must be followed when testing to augment the complex emission model described at §80.45.

(1) VOC, NO\(_x\), CO, and CO\(_2\) emissions must be measured for all fuel-vehicle combinations tested.

(2) Toxics emissions must be measured when testing the extension fuels per the requirements of §80.49 when testing to augment the complex emission model.

(3) When testing addition fuels 4, 5, 6, and 7 per the requirements of §80.49(a), toxics emissions need not be measured. However, EPA reserves the right to require the inclusion of such measurements in the test program prior to approval of the test program if evidence exists which suggests that adverse interactive effects of the parameter in question may exist for toxics emissions.

(b) The general requirements per 40 CFR 86.130–96 shall be met.

(c) The engine starting and restarting procedures per 40 CFR 86.136–90 shall be followed.

(d) Except as provided for at §80.59, general preparation of vehicles being tested shall follow procedures detailed in 40 CFR 86.130–96 and 86.131–96.

§ 80.51 Vehicle test procedures.

The test sequence applicable when augmenting the emission models through vehicle testing is as follows:

(a) Prepare vehicles per §80.50.

(b) Initial preconditioning per §80.52(a)(1). Vehicles shall be refueled randomly with the fuels required in §80.49 when testing to augment the complex emission model.

(c) Exhaust emissions tests, dynamometer procedure per 40 CFR 86.137–90 with:

(1) Exhaust Benzene and 1,3-Butadiene emissions measured per §80.55; and

(2) Formaldehyde and Acetelaldehyde emissions measured per §80.56.

§ 80.52 Vehicle preconditioning.

(a) Initial vehicle preconditioning and preconditioning between tests with different fuels shall be performed in accordance with the “General vehicle handling requirements” per 40 CFR 86.132–96, up to and including the completion of the hot start exhaust test.

(b) The preconditioning procedure prescribed at 40 CFR 86.132–96 shall be observed for preconditioning vehicles between tests using the same fuel.

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§ 80.55 Measurement methods for benzene and 1,3-butadiene.

(a) Sampling for benzene and 1,3-butadiene must be accomplished by bag sampling as used for total hydrocarbons determination. This procedure is detailed in 40 CFR 86.109.

(b) Benzene and 1,3-butadiene must be analyzed by gas chromatography. Expected values for benzene and 1,3-butadiene in bag samples for the baseline fuel are 4.0 ppm and 0.30 ppm respectively. At least three standards ranging from at minimum 50% to 150% of these expected values must be used to calibrate the detector. An additional standard of at most 0.01 ppm must also be measured to determine the required limit of quantification as described in paragraph (d) of this section.

(c) The sample injection size used in the chromatograph must be sufficient to be above the laboratory determined limit of quantification (LOQ) as defined in paragraph (d) of this section for at least one of the bag samples. A control chart of the measurements of the standards used to determine the response, repeatability, and limit of quantitation of the instrumental method for 1,3-butadiene and benzene must be reported.