§ 90.410 Engine test cycle.

(a) Follow the appropriate 6-mode test cycle for Class I, I-B and II engines and 2-mode test cycle for Class I-A, III, IV, and V engines when testing spark-ignition engines (see Table 2 in Appendix A of this subpart).

(b) For Phase 1 engines and Phase 2 Class I-A, III, IV, and V, and Phase 2 Class I and II engines not equipped with an engine speed governor, during each non-idle mode, hold both the specified speed and load within ± five percent of point. During the idle mode, hold speed within ± ten percent of the manufacturer’s specified idle engine speed. For Phase 2 Class I, I-B, and II engines equipped with an engine speed governor, during Mode 1 or Mode 6 hold both the specified speed and load within ± five percent of point, during Modes 2–3, or Modes 7–8 hold the specified load with ± five percent of point, during Modes 4–5 or Modes 9–10, hold the specified load within the larger range provided by ± 0.27 Nm (± 0.2 lb-ft), or ± ten (10) percent of point, and during the idle mode hold the specified speed within ± ten percent of the manufacturer’s specified idle engine speed (see Table 1 in Appendix A of this subpart for a description of test Modes). The use of alternative test procedures is allowed if approved in advance by the Administrator.

(c) If the operating conditions specified in paragraph (b) of this section for Class I, I-B, and II engines using Mode Points 2, 3, 4, and 5 cannot be maintained, the Administrator may authorize deviations from the specified load conditions. Such deviations may not exceed 10 percent of the maximum torque at the test speed. The minimum deviations, above and below the specified load, necessary for stable operation shall be determined by the manufacturer and approved by the Administrator prior to the test run.

(d) Do not include power generated during the idle mode, Mode 11, in the calculation of emission results.

§ 90.411 Post-test analyzer procedures.

(a) Perform a HC hang-up check within 60 seconds of the completion of the last mode in the test. Use the following procedure:

(1) Introduce a zero gas or room air into the sample probe or valve V2 (see Figure 2 in Appendix B of Subpart D) to check the “hangup zero” response. Simultaneously start a time measurement.

(2) Select the lowest HC range used during the test.

(b) Begin the analyzer span checks within six minutes after the completion of the last mode in the test. Record for each analyzer the zero and span response for each range used during the preceding test or test segment.

(c) If during the test, the filter elements(s) were replaced or cleaned, a vacuum check must be performed per §90.324(a) immediately after the span checks. If the vacuum side leak check
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gaseous components.

(a) Automatic data collection equipment requirements. The analyzer response may be read by automatic data collection (ADC) equipment such as computers, data loggers, and so forth. If ADC equipment is used, the following is required:

(1) For dilute grab ("bag") sample analysis, the analyzer response must be stable at greater than 90 percent of the final reading for the dilute exhaust sample. The ADC must store a single value representing the average chart deflection over a 10-second stabilized period. Alternatively, the ADC may store the individual instantaneous chart deflections collected over a 10-second stabilized period.

(2) For continuous analysis systems, the ADC must store a single value representing the average integrated concentration over a measurement period. Alternatively, the ADC may store the individual instantaneous values collected during the measurement period.

(3) The chart deflections or average integrated concentrations required in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section may be stored on long-term computer storage devices such as computer tapes, storage discs, punch cards, or they may be printed in a listing for storage. In either case a chart recorder is not required and records from a chart recorder, if they exist, need not be stored.

(4) If ADC equipment is used to interpret analyzer values, the ADC equipment is subject to the calibration specifications of the analyzer as if the ADC equipment is part of analyzer system.

(b) Data records from any one or a combination of analyzers may be stored as chart recorder records.

(c) Grab sample analysis. For dilute grab sample analysis perform the following procedure:

(1) Calibrate analyzers using the procedure described in § 90.326.

(2) Record the most recent zero and span response as the pre-analysis values.

(3) Measure and record HC, CO, CO₂, and NOₓ concentrations in the exhaust sample bag(s) and background sample bag(s) using the same flow rates and pressures.

(4) Good engineering practice dictates that exhaust emission sample bag analyzer readings below 15 percent of full scale should generally not be used.

(5) A post-analysis zero and span calibration check of each range must be performed and the values recorded. The number of events that may occur between the pre- and post-checks is not specified. However, the difference between pre-analysis zero and span values (recorded in paragraph (e) or