# **SCAQMD Rule 1147**

This pamphlet provides a summary of Rule 1147 requirements and compliance options including amendments adopted in July 2017

Adopted by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Governing Board on December 5, 2008 with a compliance schedule phased in over 10 years. The purpose of this rule is to reduce nitrogen oxide emissions from gaseous and liquid fuel fired combustion equipment

**Amended** in July 2017 to provide additional compliance flexibility for units with NOx emissions of less than 1 pound per day

Affects manufacturers, sellers, and owners of combustion equipment that are not subject to rules that affect boilers, liquid process heaters, turbines, and engines

**Regulates** ovens, dryers, furnaces, afterburners, incinerators, and other equipment used in a variety of processes. Examples of processes regulated by the rule include metal casting, forging, heat treating, coating and curing operations, drying, asphalt manufacturing, and printing operations

**Please Note:** This pamphlet is for information purposes only and does not supersede rule requirements



## **SCAQMD Rule 1147 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

#### How do I determine if my equipment is subject to Rule 1147?

Unless specifically exempt from the rule, any combustion equipment that is not exempt from a permit and is not subject to a source-specific NOx limit is subject to 1147.

If uncertain, you can contact **SCAQMD Small Business Assistance Office at (800) 388-2121** or ask for **SCAQMD Compliance at (909) 396-2000** to be connected to the team that is responsible for inspecting your business. Alternatively, you can request feedback from the local gas utility or your consultant to help evaluate your equipment and process.

## How do I determine if my unit has NOx emissions of more than 1 pound per day?

There are several criteria that would indicate your unit emits  $\geq 1$  lb NOx/day including but not limited to:

- 1. Equipment burner is rated at ≥1,200,000 BTU/HR and operates >5 hours per day or >110 hours per month
- 2. Equipment natural gas usage is greater than 7,692 standard cubic feet per day
- 3. Call the **Combustion Hotline at (909)-396-3419** to inquire on the calculations estimating your maximum permitted emissions (potential to emit)

## Is a list of companies that perform emissions testing available?

The SCAQMD does provide a list of companies that are prequalified. Just go to **http://www.aqmd.gov** -> "Business Programs" -> "Laboratory Approval"

## When is my equipment subject to Rule 1147 emission limits?

All new permitted equipment rated at  $\geq$ 325,000 BTU/HR is required to demonstrate compliance with the NOx emission limit. Existing permitted in-use units with NOx emissions of 1 pound per day or more must demonstrate compliance with the emission limit at the time the unit is 15 years old. However, there are a number of options available in the rule to delay compliance dates. These options for delaying compliance dates are found in the following sections of Rule 1147: (c)(4) and (i) for  $\geq$  1 pound/day units, (c)(15) and (c)(14) for any applicable units. For equipment manufactured after 1997 and before 2009, contact SCAQMD for additional compliance information.

# Are ovens, dryers and dry roasters used in the preparation of food and food products subject to Rule 1147?

No. Food ovens, dry roasters, and food dryers are regulated by Rule 1153.1 (Commercial Food Ovens), not Rule 1147. However, fryers (including those used for oil roasting) and afterburners controlling emissions of organic gases and particulate matter from food ovens, roasters, and dryers are regulated by Rule 1147. It should be noted that ovens used in restaurants do not require an SCAQMD permit and are therefore not affected by Rule 1147.

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# Complying With Rule 1147

- NOx Reductions from Miscellaneous Sources

## **APPLICABILITY:**

Facility owners and operators of Rule 1147 applicable Equipment emitting 1 pound per day of NOx or MORE

**PURPOSE:** 

To identify affected equipment, applicable emission limit and answers to asked questions (FAQ)

## **TABLE 1:**

# Summary of Rule 1147 Requirements as Amended July 7, 2017

Equipment Category		Requirements for Units With Emissions of 1 Pound/Day or More	
New Units	Any Unit Installed On Or After January 1, 2010	<ul> <li>Demonstrate compliance with NOx emissions limit as stated in Table 2 using one of three options: <ul> <li>Emission testing of unit (source test)</li> <li>Unit Certification (for product line of identical ovens, furnaces, heaters, etc.)</li> <li>Burner Manufacturer Guarantee (Burner Manufacturer Certification) for an individual oven or furnace that includes burner, combustion air and fuel components, and control system for that particular unit</li> </ul> </li> <li>Keep records on site documenting emission test results, unit certification, or burner manufacturer guarantee and SCAQMD approval of compliance demonstration</li> <li>Perform combustion system maintenance and keep copy of the combustion system maintenance manual and maintenance records on-site for all units including those exempt from emission limit</li> </ul>	
Existing Units	Any Unit In-Use (Operating) On Or Before January 1, 2010 (See exceptions below)	<ul> <li>Demonstrate compliance with NOx emissions limit when unit is 15 years old and permit application must be submitted by December 1st of the year prior</li> <li>Perform combustion system maintenance and keep copy of combustion system maintenance manual and maintenance records of on site</li> <li>Keep records on-site documenting emission test results, unit certification, or burner manufacturer guarantee and SCAQMD approval of applicable compliance demonstration</li> </ul>	
Specific Existing Units	<ul> <li>Heated process tanks, parts washers, and evaporators in-use (operating) before January 1, 2010</li> <li>Heated process tanks, parts washers, and evaporators installed and operating with an SCAQMD permit before January 1, 2014</li> <li>Remediation units installed between December 5,2008 and March 1, 2012</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demonstrate compliance with NOx emissions limit as shown in Table 2 when unit or combustion system is modified or replaced</li> <li>Keep records on site documenting emission test results, unit certification, or burner manufacturer guarantee and SCAQMD approval of applicable compliance demonstration</li> <li>Perform combustion system maintenance and keep on-site copies of combustion system maintenance manual and maintenance records</li> </ul>	

## Table 2: **NOx Emission Limit for Unit** Heat Ratings ≥ 325,000 BTU/hour

(Exemption for Units < 325,000 Btu/hour)

Equipment Category	NOx Emission Limit @ 3% O2 Dry Or Pound/mmBtu heat input	
Operation Temperature:	<1200°F	≥1200°F
Asphalt Manufacturing Operation	40 ppm or 0.053 lb/mmBtu	
Afterburner, Degassing Unit, Remediation Unit, Thermal Oxidizer, Catalytic Oxidizer or Vapor Incinerator 1	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu
Burn-off Furnace, Burnout Oven, Incinerator or Crematory with or without Integrated Afterburner <sup>1</sup>	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu
Evaporator, Fryer, Heated Process Tank, or Parts Washer	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu	
Metal Heat Treating, Metal Melting Furnace, Metal Pot, or Tar Pot	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu
Oven, Dehydrator, Dryer, Heater, Kiln, Calciner, Cooker, Roaster, Furnace, or Heated Storage Tank	30 ppm or 0.036 lb/mmBtu	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu
Make-Up Air Heater or other Air Heater located outside of building with temperature controlled zone inside building	30 ppm or 0.036 lb/mmBtu	
Tenter Frame or Fabric or Carpet Dryer	30 ppm or 0.036 lb/mmBtu	
Other Gaseous Fuel-Fired Unit or Process	30 ppm or 0.036 lb/mmBtu	60 ppm or 0.073 lb/mmBtu
All liquid fuel-fired Units	40 ppm or 0.053 lb/mmBtu	40 ppm or 0.053 lb/mmBtu

1. Emission limit applies to burners in units fueled by 100% natural gas that are used to incinerate air toxics, VOCs, or other vapors; or to heat a unit. The emission limit applies solely when burning 100% fuel and not when the burner is incinerating air toxics, VOCs, or other vapors. The unit shall be tested or certified to meet the emission limit while fueled with natural gas.

