



# Refrigerant Mandate 1 / 1 / 2018

Starting January 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 the EPA has new regulations in regards to the purchase of refrigerant.

We strongly recommend you visit the EPA website to read firsthand the changes and requirements.

<https://www.epa.gov/section608/refrigerant-sales-restriction>

The sale of refrigerant has been broken down to three levels:

For Large Cylinders – over 10 pounds – the seller must keep an invoice listing the name, date and quantity of refrigerant sold. The seller must see a section 608 or 609 technician certification card. If the purchaser is acquiring the product on behalf of a shop, then evidence that at least one of the technicians in that shop is certified. The seller must keep a copy of the purchases technical certificate on file. All records must be kept for a minimum of three years.

For Small Cans – to the general public, two pounds or less of R134a. There is no restriction on sale of cans under two pounds, but the can should be manufactured with self sealing valve.

For technicians who have completed section 608 or 609 certifications, the certification does not expire. For technicians who have misplaced their credentials and require a new copy, please contact the issuing company (eg: MACS ) for a replacement. A processing fee may apply.

For technicians who require certification, please visit the MACS website ([www.macsw.org](http://www.macsw.org)) for section 609 certification including training on handling the new refrigerant R-1234yf. The training and certification test cost \$20.00.

To facilitate the ordering process, please fax (478-781-6006) or email ([tkeesler@globalpartsdist.com](mailto:tkeesler@globalpartsdist.com) or [jmangham@globalpartsdist.com](mailto:jmangham@globalpartsdist.com) ) a copy of the technician's certification card to gpd. Also, please specify the business name that corresponds with the technician's certification so that gpd can have this information in the customer's file. Customers will not be able to purchase cylinders of refrigerant unless gpd has this certification on file.