

 <p>SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT</p>	<p><i>Compliance Assistance</i></p> <h1>ADVISORY</h1>
<p>SUBJECT: Operation of Portable Equipment Prior to Receipt of Final State Registration</p>	

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OWNERS OF PORTABLE EQUIPMENT

In order to legally operate portable equipment in the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD), the equipment must have a SMAQMD permit or a certificate of registration from the Californian Air Resources Board (CARB) Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP). This includes all portable engines, engine-driven equipment greater than fifty horsepower, as well as portable equipment units. Anyone operating this type of equipment without a SMAQMD permit or a valid CARB registration is subject to penalties pursuant to Section 42402 of the California Health and Safety Code.

A portable engine is an internal combustion engine designed to be carried or moved from one location to another. Examples of portable engines and engine driven equipment include, but are not limited to, electrical generators, tub grinders, woodchippers, compressors, well drillers, pumps, street sweepers, dredges on boats or barges, and cranes.

A portable equipment unit is equipment that only emits particulate matter smaller than 10 micrometers (PM10). Examples include tub grinders and rock crushers.

Owners of portable equipment are advised to check with the SMAQMD to determine which option is best for them – a SMAQMD permit or CARB registration. There are certain advantages to each program, as well as situations when a CARB PERP registration is not valid.

For more information on the PERP program including the registration forms and fees, visit CARB's website at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable/portable.htm>. For more information on SMAQMD permits, call Brian Krebs at (916)874-4856. You may also call the Compliance Assistance Hotline at (916)874-4884 or visit our web site at <http://www.airquality.org/>.