

**567—102.607(455D) Refrigerant removal requirements.**

**102.607(1)** All demanufacturers of refrigerant containing appliances shall comply with 40 CFR 82.155 as amended March 7, 2025.

**102.607(2)** The removal of refrigerant from refrigeration appliances must take place in an area where the temperature of the surrounding air and of the appliance being demanufactured is 45°F or greater.

**102.607(3)** Facilities that are not EPA-certified refrigerant reclaimers must transport recovered refrigerant to an EPA-certified reclamation facility or properly dispose of the refrigerant at an EPA-permitted facility. Reclamation may take place on site only if the appliance demanufacturing facility is certified as a reclaimer by the EPA.

**102.607(4)** The following rules apply to the demanufacturing of appliances containing compressor oil.

*a.* Compressor oil from refrigeration unit compressors may be removed during the demanufacturing process, and any oil removed must be stored in accordance with 40 CFR 279.22 as amended March 3, 2025.

*b.* Compressor oil is not hazardous and may be burned in used oil-fired space heaters, provided the heaters have a capacity of 0.5 British thermal units (BTUs) per hour or more.

*c.* Compressor oil may be sold to a marketer of used oil.

**102.607(5)** The following rules apply to the demanufacturing of ammonia gas-operated refrigerators and air conditioners.

*a.* Ammonia gas must be vented into water.

*b.* Sodium chromate must be removed from refrigeration equipment containing sodium chromate.

*c.* Sodium chromate liquid is a hazardous waste and must be disposed of at an EPA-permitted facility.

*d.* Removal of sodium chromate liquid must take place on an impervious surface. In case of a spill, the spilled liquid and the material used as absorbent must be handled as a hazardous waste and disposed of as a hazardous waste.

*e.* Sodium chromate must be stored in a department of transportation-approved (DOT-approved) container that shows no sign of damage. The container must be labeled with a proper EPA-approved chromium label stating “chromium” or “hazardous waste” as required by 40 CFR 262.32 as amended March 3, 2025, and 49 CFR 172.304 as amended March 3, 2025, in both English and the predominant language of any non-English-reading workers.

*f.* Prior to shipment, sodium chromate must be packaged to prevent leakage and all containers must be sealed.

*g.* A person generating sodium chromate waste must maintain records to determine if the person is a very small quantity generator (VSQG), small quantity generator (SQG), or large quantity generator (LQG) of hazardous waste.

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