
The purpose of 609 certification as defined by EPA, is to teach technicians and test their ability to properly handle and recover refrigerants, as well as to learn laws enacted to protect the “stratospheric ozone layer.”

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Section 609 of the Clean Air Act: Motor Vehicle Air Conditioning (MVAC) addresses six (6) areas that will impact automotive repair and service shops, training schools, auto parts stores, and other facilities handling ozone-depleting substances (ODS) and alternative refrigerants. Please read the new EPA requirements and pay special attention to:

1. MVAC service shops must certify to EPA that they have acquired and are properly using approved refrigerant recovery equipment.
2. Service shops must also verify that each person using the equipment has been properly trained and certified...


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Have fun and get your 609 credentials!
Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling Practice Quiz with Answers – Part 1

Matching Questions
__D__ 1. EPA Regulation 609  A. The year R-12 was phased out and transitioned to R-134a
__H__ 2. Year 2065  B. Hydrofluoroolefins (R-1234yf)
__A__ 3. Year 1994  C. Global Warming Potential
__J__ 4. HFC  D. Federal Clean Air Act of 1990 – legislation dealing with servicing
        motor vehicle air conditioning systems
__B__ 5. HFO  E. Chlorofluorocarbon (R-12)
__E__ 6. CFC  F. Carbon Dioxide (CO2) refrigerant produced naturally in the
        environment
__I__ 7. MVAC  G. Ozone Depleting Substance
__F__ 8. R-744  H. The year NASA forecast the ozone layer will return to its early 1980’s
        status
__G__ 9. ODS  I. Motor Vehicle Air Conditioning – Cars, Buses and Trucks
__C__ 10. GWP  J. Hydrofluorocarbons (R-134a)
* - Non-MVAC includes Trains, Aircraft, Refrigerated Trailers and Ships

Short Answer Questions
11. Name three (3) health effects of excessive UV radiation caused by ozone depletion.
   A. __Cancer__  B. __Cataracts__  C. __Immune System__

12. How far is the ozone layer above the Earth’s surface (approximately in miles)? __10 to 30 miles__

13. Name the chemical in ozone depleting refrigerants that reacts with oxygen when exposed to UV rays
    of the sun. ___Chlorine and the product is chlorine monoxide____

Using the chart below, answer the following questions...

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<th>Ozone Depleting?</th>
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<td>R-12 (CFC-12)</td>
<td>10,900</td>
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<td>R-134a (HFC-134a)</td>
<td>1,430</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>R-152a</td>
<td>124</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>R-1234yf (HFO-1234yf)</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>R-744 (CO2)</td>
<td>1</td>
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14. What refrigerant has the lowest GWP? ___R-744_____

15. What refrigerant is ozone depleting (Name all that apply)? ___R-12__

16. What refrigerant causes the most GWP? ___R-12_____

17. What is the GWP for R-134a? ___1,430_____

18. What is the GWP for R-152a? ___124___

19. What refrigerant has a GWP of 4? ___R-1234yf_____

20. What is the GWP for R-12? ___10,900_____.

Note: HCFC - Hydrochlorofluorocarbons such as R-22 used in stationary refrigeration and air
conditioning systems is governed under Section 608
21. The three (3) latest alternative refrigerants approved by EPA in Section 609 for new vehicles and systems are R-134a, R-152a and R-744. Name one (1) advantage and one (1) disadvantage of each...

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<td>R-1234yf</td>
<td>Close pressure / temperature relationship; uses less fuel to power MVAC</td>
<td>Mild flammability traits</td>
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<tr>
<td>R-152a</td>
<td>GWP of 124, roughly 90% lower than R-134a; low cost and similar pressure / temperature</td>
<td>Greater flammability traits than R-1234yf</td>
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<tr>
<td>R-744</td>
<td>Lowest direct GWP rating of any available refrigerant; serves as baseline for GWP refrigerants; higher pressures; no flammability issues</td>
<td>Displaces oxygen with high suffocation risk</td>
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True / False Questions

_ _F_ 22. R-134a is ozone depleting.
_ _T_ 23. GHG stands for Greenhouse Gas
_ _T_ 24. R-12 played a major role in depleting Earth’s atmosphere
_ _T_ 25. SNAP means Significant New Alternatives Policy
_ _T_ 26. R-744 is now being used by German Automakers

Multiple Choice Questions

_ _C_ 27. Technician A says to prevent cross contamination of refrigerant, manufacturers use dedicated fittings when servicing the system. Technician B says R-744 is not used for retrofitting the A/C system with different refrigerants. Who is correct?
   a. Technician A only
   b. Technician B only
   c. Both Technician A and B
   d. Neither Technician A nor B

_ _D_ 28. Air conditioning systems today are called thermal management systems because:
   a. They provide passenger comfort
   b. They provide battery pack cooling on some vehicles
   c. They provide onboard computer cooling on some vehicles
   d. All of the above

_ _C_ 29. Technician A says that a Class I Substance has an ozone depletion potential greater than 0.2 CFC’s. Technician B says that a Class II Substance has an ozone depletion potential less than 0.2 CFC’s. Who is correct?
   a. Technician A only
   b. Technician B only
   c. Both Technician A and B
   d. Neither Technician A nor B
_B_ 30. The ASE Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling Program is EPA approved to accomplish ALL of the following 609 Regulations EXCEPT:

a. Anyone repairing or servicing MVAC must be trained and certified
b. Releases all restrictions on ozone depleting refrigerants and allows Class I Venting into the atmosphere
c. Prohibits the sale of Class I refrigerants smaller than 20 pounds to anyone not trained or certified
d. Equipment must meet EPA-approved standards

* - Note: Refrigerant handling equipment can’t be sold unless it meets specific requirements

_B_ 31. Certifications earned by an approved ASE Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling program will meet the same requirements for ASE Technician Certification in Heating and Air Conditioning...

a. True
b. False

**Essay Questions Part - I**

32. EPA research suggest that greenhouse gases play a contributing role in global warming potential. In the questions below, tell the effects of harmful UV ray on the following...

a. Vegetation and crops ___ drought, severe crop reduction and bio-fuels supply___

b. Air quality? ___ ground-level ozone leading to higher smog levels___

c. Sea or ocean? ___ plankton and some species’ of larvae killed off or reduced_____

33. Section 609 of the Clean Air Act of 1990 set standards for recovery / recycling equipment for the following: J1990 (R-12), J2788 (R-134a) and J2843 (R-1234yf). In the blanks below, name at least four (4) requirements found on all EPA certified A/C equipment labels...

a. __Refrigerant identifier__  
b. __EPA certification standards J2843 & J2927__  
c. __Design pressure___  
d. __Model___  
e. __Manufacturer__

34. J2099 is the EPA Purity Standard for R-134a and R-1234yf. Name three (3) purity standard these refrigerants must meet (for example 50 ppm of what? 500 ppm of what? 1.5% of what?)...

a. __Water by weight 50 ppm__  
b. __Lubricant by weight 500 ppm__  
c. __Noncondensable gases (Air) 1.5% of volume___

35. What does Section 609 say about what you should do about contaminated refrigerant that is removed using recovery only equipment?

___It can be recycled and then reused in MVAC systems or it can be sent to a reclaimer. Recycled refrigerant should not be salvaged or stored in disposable refrigerant containers. Use only DOT-approved storage containers for recycled refrigerant___

**Items prohibited or allowed by 609 Regulations** – Mark a "P" for Prohibited or "A" if Allowed...

_P__ a. Selling R-12 in containers less than 20 pounds to the public

_A__ b. Selling R-134a under 2 pounds with self-sealing valves to the public

_P__ c. Using 609 MVAC credentials to purchase refrigerant for stationary A/C systems

_P__ d. Servicing MVAC systems after January 1, 2018 without EPA credentials

_A__ e. Purity standards of 98% must be maintained for MVAC vehicles

_A__ f. Restrictions and requirements on refrigerant removed prior to motor vehicle disposal

_A__ g. R-134a will be listed as unacceptable for newly manufactured light duty vehicles beginning model year 2021
Essay Questions – Part - II

1. When will HFC-134a (R-134a) be officially phased out for new manufactured vehicles (check one)?
   MY 2026 ______ X _______  MY 2019 ___________________ MY 2015 ____________

2. From the list below, select Acceptable EPA Approved Refrigerants that **do not allow** refrigerant retrofits to MVAC passenger vehicles, light, medium and heavy duty and off-road vehicles...
   ___ HFC - 134a   ___ Freeze 12   ___ X_ HFO - 1234yf
   ___ X_ HFC - 152a   ___ X_ R-744 (Carbon Dioxide)   ___ Free Zone (HCF Blend Delta)

3. A technician want to use HFC-134a from Self-Chilling Cans in a vending machine that was previously filled with HCFC-22. What reason does SNAP give as to why Self-Chilling Cans using HFC-134a is listed as Unacceptable Substitutes for ODS in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning systems?
   ___ Unacceptably high greenhouse gas emissions from direct release of refrigerant to the atmosphere__

4. List at least three (3) recordkeeping requirements of 609 Regulations for companies servicing MVAC systems?
   a. Record of trained and certified personnel.
   b. Name and address of facility where refrigerant sent
   c. Person that sells or distributes Class I refrigerants
   d. Equipment details sent to EPA
   e. All records must be kept for a minimum of three years
   f. Any person who sells Class I refrigerants in containers less than 20 lbs. must post a sign stating, "It is a violation of federal law to sell containers of Class I refrigerant of less than 20 lbs. of such refrigerant to anyone who is not properly trained and certified to operate approved refrigerant recycling equipment."

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Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling Quiz - Part 2

Matching Questions

__F_1. Retrofitting  A. SAE Standard for Motor Vehicle Refrigerant Vapor Compression System; Used to help standardize A/C system designs and service
__B_2. ASHRAE  B. This agency establishes numerical designation of refrigerants; also known as American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers
__A_4. Standard J639  D. Department of Transportation rating for refrigerant storage tanks
__J_5. SDS  E. SAE Standard for R-1234yf Refrigerant Identifier Installed in Recovery and Recycling Equipment for Use with Mobile A/C Systems
__D_6. DOT-4BA  F. The process of changing for example, older R-12 systems to R-134a or different accepted refrigerants
__C_7. Standard J2888  G. SAE Standard for Recommended Service Procedures for the Containment of R-134a
__E_8. Standard J2927  H. This agency establishes purity standards for refrigerants; also known as Air Conditioning Heating and Refrigeration Institute
__G_9. Standard J2211  I. SAE standard for MVAC hoses on R-134a or R-1234yf systems
__H_10. AHRI  J. Safety Data Sheet for each refrigerant

Short Answer Questions

11. Name five (5) retrofitting label requirements when using alternative refrigerants...
A. Label covers up info about old refrigerant
B. Name and address of technician & company
C. Date of the retrofit
D. ASHRAE numerical designation of refrigerant
E. Type, manufacturer, and amount of lubricant
F. Labeled “ozone depletor” if the refrigerant contains ozone depleting substances

12. List four (4) safety rules found in Section 609 Legislation when servicing air conditioning systems...
A. Avoid breathing A/C refrigerant lubricant vapor or mist
B. Exposure to refrigerant may cause frostbite
C. Keep Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for each refrigerant
D. Work in a well-ventilated area to avoid asphyxiation

13. List four (4) safety precautions (things you should never do) found in Section 609 Legislation when handling refrigerant...
A. Never mix refrigerants with air for the purpose of leak testing
B. Never Use a disposable refrigerant tank for storing recycled refrigerant
C. Never transfer refrigerant into other tanks unless DOT-approved tanks - DOT-4BA or DOT-4BWD.
D. Never fill a storage tank to more than 60% of its gross weight
E. Never use electrical equipment in which switches are not at least 18 inches above the floor
14. Name four (4) methods stated in SAE Standard J1989 (R-12) and J2211 (R-134a) to ensure that discharged refrigerant is kept to a minimum when recovering from an A/C system...
   A. Service hoses must have shutoff valves within 12 in. of service ends
   B. Close the valves in the recovery unit's service lines and from the system's service fittings
   C. Verify the system has refrigerant charge before recovery to prevent non-condensable gases (air)
   D. Evacuating disposable refrigerant container that appear to be empty still have traces of refrigerant
   E. Remove all remaining refrigerant before disposing of the container

Use the chart below to answer the following questions...

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<td>Low Side</td>
<td>High Side</td>
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<td>R-12 (Post – 1987)</td>
<td>Threaded 7/16 in. x 20</td>
<td>Threaded 3/8 in. x 24</td>
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<td>R-134a</td>
<td>Quick-coupler</td>
<td>Quick-coupler</td>
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<td>Unthreaded 13mm O.D.</td>
<td>Unthreaded 16mm O.D.</td>
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<td>R-152a</td>
<td>Quick-coupler</td>
<td>Quick-coupler</td>
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<td>Unthreaded 14.1mm O.D.</td>
<td>Unthreaded 15mm O.D.</td>
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<td>R-744</td>
<td>Quick-coupler</td>
<td>Quick-coupler</td>
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<td>Unthreaded 16.6mm O.D.</td>
<td>Unthreaded 18.1mm O.D.</td>
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<td>R-1234yf</td>
<td>Quick-coupler</td>
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<td>Unthreaded 14mm O.D.</td>
<td>Unthreaded 17mm O.D.</td>
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15. What is the Quick-couple O.D. for R-134a Low Side? _____13mm_________
16. What is the Quick-coupler O.D. for R-134a High Side? _____16mm_________
17. Does R-12 use a threaded fitting on the high and low side? _X_ yes ____ No
18. What is the Quick-coupler O.D. for R-1234yf Low Side? _____14mm_________
19. What is the Quick-coupler O.D. for R-1234yf High Side? __17mm_________
20. Does R-744 use an unthreaded Quick-coupler? _X__ yes _____ No
21. Which MVAC refrigerant system uses a 14.1 mm O.D. Low Side Quick-coupler? ____R-152a__
22. What is the Quick-coupler O.D. for R-152a High Side? _____15mm_________
23. Does R-12 use a Quick-coupler on the high and low side? _____ yes ___x__ No
24. Why are different thread sizes and coupler sizes used with different refrigerants? ___To prevent cross-contamination of refrigerant___
25. Does R-12 use a threaded fitting on the high and low side? _X_ yes _____ No

26. In the chart below, write-in the service hose colors for R-12, R-134a and R-1234yf. Look under Recovery/Recycling/Recharge Equipment on p.17 of the ASE Section 609 Booklet...

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<th>Low Side Service Hose Color</th>
<th>High Side Service Hose Color</th>
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<tr>
<td>R-12</td>
<td>Solid blue</td>
<td>Solid Red</td>
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<tr>
<td>R-134a</td>
<td>Solid blue with a black stripe</td>
<td>Solid red with a black stripe</td>
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*Note – Supply hoses are usually yellow, whereas R-134a uses yellow with a black stripe. R-1234yf yellow hose has SAE J2888 marking. R-152a and R-744 is not included because systems are not prevalent as of this date.

27. What does Section 609 Legislation say about “Used R-134a Refrigerant from Non-Mobile Sources?”
Write a brief statement or summarize your response on p.19...
Never use refrigerant from non-MVAC systems. This introduces possibility of contaminants different from those that may exist in MVAC systems.

**True / False Questions**

__F_ 22. It is illegal to use any refrigerant with flammable characteristic in a MVAC system
__T_ 23. Refrigerant storage tanks for R-12 and R-134a should not be filled more than 60% of its gross weight
__T_ 24. To recover R-12 and R-134a, service hoses must have a shut-off valve within 12 inches of the service end
__T_ 25. R-12 and R-134a MVAC systems must hold a vacuum for 5 minutes before approved EPA 609 Recover and Recycling equipment will allow you to charge the system.
__F_ 26. When refrigerant is recovered, no oil is lost and there is no need to measure or record oil loses.
__F_ 27. It icing occurs during recovery of R-12 and R-134a systems, it is acceptable to heat the recovery tank with a torch.
__T_ 28. Recovery equipment for R-1234fy must meet SAE Standard J2843 which includes a refrigerant identifier to ensure 98% purity.

**Multiple Choice Questions**

__A_ 29. Technician A says retrofitting one refrigerant to another requires unique fittings and different labels. Technician B says refrigerant mixing is acceptable when retrofitting as long as the new labels and fittings match the installed refrigerants. Who is correct?
   a. Technician A only
   b. Technician B only
   c. Both Technician A and B
   d. Neither Technician A or B

__B_ 30. Technician A says that the Quick-couple O.D for the low side service port on R-1234fy is Unthreaded 17mm. Technician B says that R-134a uses a Quick-coupler Unthreaded 13mm O.D. on the low side service port.

Who is correct?
   a. Technician A only
   b. Technician B only
   c. Both Technician A and B
   d. Neither Technician A or B

__A_ 31. When testing Recycled R-134a refrigerant stored in portable tanks or containers, all of the following procedures must be followed EXCEPT:
   a. Keep the container at 115 degrees F or above
b. Connect a pressure gauge and calibrate in 1 psi divisions

c. Measure the air temperature within 4 inches of the tank

d. Compare the pressure to the chart to see if it is at or below the prescribed limit

Using this chart, determine if the R-134a refrigerant in this storage tank is OK to use or if it has to be recycled...

Here's the service procedures –

If the recycled refrigerant (R-134a) and the pressure exceeds the limits in this chart, shake the container and let it stand for several minutes. If the pressure falls below the limit – it is OK to use. If the pressure inside the tank or container still exceeds the limit, recycle the entire contents.

__B__ 32. Technician A says Reuse the Refrigerant. Technician B says Recycle the Entire Contents. Who is correct?

a. Technician A only  
b. Technician B only  
c. Both Technician A and B  
d. Neither Technician A or B

__C__ 33. When using service hosed (p.22) to charge, recover, and recycle refrigerant – what requirement should be observed when connecting and removing hoses...

a. Hose with manual shut-off valves should be closed before removing hoses  
b. Manual shut-off valves should be closed when hoses are not connected to the A/C system or charging source  
c. Both A and B  
d. Neither A or B

Essay Questions

34. When servicing R-1234yf systems, EPA standard J2845 stresses the importance of key safety practices (p.22 right column).

List at least five (5) of them...

d. Avoid open flames and hot surfaces, sparks and high-energy ignition sources  
e. Hybrids & EVs require special service procedures to disable the high voltage system prior to MVAC service  
f. Tighten refrigerant connection to the specified torque  
g. Seals and O-rings should never be reused  
h. Maintain good ventilation in the work area and open windows and doors when charging to prevent an accumulation of refrigerant in case of a major refrigerant leak

35. What specific safety procedures should be observed when servicing Hybrid MVAC systems?

When disabling a high-voltage system, manufacturer's procedures must be strictly followed to ensure high voltage is not present during vehicle service.
Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling Quiz - Part 3

Essay Questions

1. How does new A/C machine for R-1234yf and R-744 Systems meets SAE Standard J2845 to promote safe and responsible refrigerant management practices during recovery, recycling, and recharging? List at least four (4) requirements on p.22 - 23...
   A. First the system is under a vacuum of 26.9 in. of mercury
   B. The machine then monitors the applied vacuum, and notes if it decays. If the vacuum decays to a level of 25.9 in. mercury or more in 5 minutes, a leak is indicated and the machine will not permit the recharge.
   C. If the system passes the vacuum decay check, the machine automatically charges the system to 10% of the amount. The machine then monitors the subsequent pressure. After 5 minutes, if pressure decreases by 10% or more, this indicates a leak is present. The remaining 90% of the refrigerant will not be administered.
   D. Any leak must be found and repaired before again attempting to recharge the system.

2. True / False Questions (Key R-744 Safety Points) p.23
   _T_ A. CO2 gas from R-744 can cause asphyxiation by displacing air
   _T_ B. Recovery of CO2 refrigerant is necessary to ensure harmless depressurization for technicians
   _T_ C. Overcharging CO2 systems is dangerous - CO2 gas can leak into passenger compartment and cause asphyxiation
   __F_ D. It is acceptable to use salvaged parts like an evaporator if it meets SAE Standards

   A. Find out the vehicle’s service history.
   B. Inspect the service fittings for signs of tampering - makeshift or damaged fittings
   C. Electronic refrigerant identifiers- for detecting refrigerant cross-contamination. SAE established the J1771 standard for R-12 and R-134a refrigerant identification equipment.
   Note - *Manufacturers of identifier equipment are required to label the unit, stating its level of accuracy.

4. How do you get rid of contaminated R-1234yf and R-744 refrigerants? p.24 - 2nd column. List at least two (2) ways:
   A. Dedicate a recovery-only unit for refrigerant that cannot be identified
   B. Contract a waste processor to disposal of the material or you can contact a reclaimer from the EPA http://www.epa.gov/section608.

5. True / False Questions p.24
   __F_ A. Technicians under Section 609 can be fined for “topping-off” an A/C system that is low on refrigerant
   __F_ B. Customer are required to have leaks repaired to MVAC systems under Federal 609 legislation
   __T__ C. Unknown refrigerants should be recovered in DOT-approved (gray with yellow top) recovery tanks
Manufacturers must label the level of accuracy of ALL refrigerant identifiers for R-12 and R-134a.

SAE Standard J2927 give specific requirement for R-1234yf machines with built-in refrigerant identifiers.

Multiple Choice Questions

A. 6. Two primary tools for performing leak detection is: 1) Electronic leak detectors and 2) Florescent dye detectors...

   A. True
   B. False

C. 7. Technician A says that Standard 2791 covering Electronic Leak Detectors for R-134a requires a minimum of three (3) leak detection scales that can be manually selected. Technician B says the scale selection on leak detectors for R-134a is 4g / year, 7g / year, and 14g / year. Who is correct?

   A. Technician A only
   B. Technician B only
   C. Both Technician A and B
   D. Neither Technician A or B

D. 8. When searching for leaks on R-1234yf systems, the technician must be extremely careful because the refrigerant is flammable. ALL of the following procedures must be followed when using an Electronic Leak Detector EXCEPT:

   A. Maintain a distance of 3/8 inches between the probe and surface, and move the probe no faster than 3 inches per second
   B. Perform a leak test when the system is not operating
   C. Insert the leak detector into the blower motor resistor block or evaporator drain hole
   D. Use an older R-12 Electronic Leak Detector with approved modifications to meet SAE J1628

A. 9. If florescent dye leak detection is used with UV black light kit and tool to inject dye, suppliers are required to provide an under-hood label to identify the dye and manufacturer, and the label must say, “System to be Serviced by Qualified Personnel.”

   A. True
   B. False

D. 10. When using UV light for leak detection, you should:

   A. Protect your eyes and skin for exposure
   B. Wear UV block eyewear
   C. Direct the light source away from your body and bare skin
   D. All of the above

Short Answer Questions


   A. Before injecting dye, check the engine compartment for a sticker that dye is already installed
B. Remove the low side service port cap and depress the valve to determine if dye in system
C. Add dye per manufacturer’s instructions and place an identification label supplied by the dye manufacture near the A/C charge label
D. Verify sufficient refrigerant, then operate the system for 15 minutes to circulate the dye.
E. Inspect the entire A/C system with an ultraviolet lamp with the engine not operating
F. Verify small leak with electronic leak detector to determine if leak is repairable

12. After a leak is repaired when using florescent dye, how should you remove florescent dye residue?
Use a cleaner approved by the dye or MVAC system manufacturer

13. When injecting dye into an A/C system, how long should the system operate to ensure the dye is fully circulated?
A. 2 minutes  
B. 15 minutes  
C. 30 minutes  
D. 45 minutes  
* Note – After locating an A/C system leak, the final step in repairing the leak is to check the system again for leaks after you recharge the system.

14. Why should refrigerant never be added to the high side of the A/C system when operating the engine (p.27 warning) *
Excessive pressure can be transferred from the MVAC system into the charging apparatus, causing possible severe bodily injury

* - Note - Work in a well-ventilated area, away from sparks or open flame. Wear eye protection at all times, and wear gloves to protect the skin

15. List four (4) precautions when storing refrigerant in cylinders (p.27)... 
A. Do not expose cylinders to temperatures in excess of 52 degrees C or 125 degrees F 
B. Do not exposed to direct sunlight or any other heat source 
C. Do not transported without being securely stowed 
D. Do not fill with another refrigerant 
E. Do not store in shafts or front of cellar windows

16. Use the chart below to answer the following questions...

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<th>Fitting</th>
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A. What color is R-12 refrigerant cylinder? ______White__________________________
B. What color is R-134a refrigerant cylinder? __Light blue_______________________
C. Describe the color for R-1234yf refrigerant cylinder __White with red band__
D. What color is R-744 refrigerant cylinder? ___Gray___
E. What refrigerant cylinder has Right Hand Thread? __R-134a__ Left Hand Thread? _R-1234yf_
    7/16” X 20 Fitting? _R-12_

17. **What affect will overcharging have on today’s MVAC systems? p.28**

Overcharged system will produce higher-than-normal operating pressures, causing reduced cooling and possible system damage.

18. What affect will low refrigerant have on today’s MVAC systems?

Systems that are low on refrigerant may have reduced cooling, and may suffer component damage from lack of lubrication, because the refrigerant in MVAC systems circulates the lubricant.

19. List two (2) methods to ensure that refrigerant charge methods and amounts are accurate (p.28)...

   A. Determining the refrigerant charge specification found on the MVAC identification label located in the vehicle engine compartment, or in technical resources such as service manuals or online service information.
   B. Charged the system by weight, using an accurate scale or other device. One calibration method would be to place a static weight of known value on the scale to verify the scale reading.

20. **Use section 609 Refrigerant Charge Calculation Sheet on p.29 to convert the following math problems...**

   A. Convert 26 ounces of refrigerant to pounds (Ex. 26 oz. Divided by 16 = )
      26 oz. = ___1.625________ lbs.

   B. Convert 1.25 pounds of refrigerant to ounces (Ex. 1.25 lbs. x 16 = )
      1.25 lbs. = ___20________ oz.

   C. Convert 1 pound and 5 ounces of refrigerant to Total ounces (Ex 1 lbs. x 16) + 5 oz. =
      1 lbs 5 oz. = ___21_______ oz. (Total)

   D. Convert 0.6 pound of refrigerant to ounces (Ex. 6/10 lbs. into oz.) and (Ex. 0.6 lbs. x 16 =)
      0.6 lbs. = ___9.6_______ oz. (Total)

   E. Convert 14 ounces of refrigerant to tenths of a pound (Ex.14 oz. Divided by 16 = tenths of a pound)
      14 oz. = __0.875________ tenths of a pound

   F. Convert 500 grams of refrigerant to ounces (Ex.500 g x .0353 = )
      500 g = ___17.637________ oz.

   F. Convert 1.3 kilograms of refrigerant to pounds (Ex.1.3 kg. x 2.205 = )
      1.3 kg = ___2.86601________ lbs.

**CONGRATULATIONS – YOU ARE NOW FINISHED WITH SECTION 609 PRE-TEST TRAINING!**
Automotive instructors, technicians, shop owners and others are free to use these materials to help your students and employees prepare and pass EPA 609 Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling Quiz. Please understand that these materials do not guarantee you will pass or receive 609 credentials. These materials are not endorsed by any organization and should only be used as instructional aids.

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Listing of All EPA Standards for R-12, R-134a, and R-1234yf Found in Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling: Review and Quiz Booklet Mar. 2017

These standards were pulled from the Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling: Review and Quiz Booklet Mar. 2017 and placed in graphic organizers to help you quickly find and identify essential functions in Section 609 of the Clean Air Act of 1990 for MVAC systems. These organizers are not affiliated or endorsed by ASE, SAE or EPA in any way.
## EPA Standards for R-12 Recover and Recycling of Refrigerant

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* - SAE – Society of Automotive Engineers.
** - J1990 uses service hoses marked "SAE J2196" to show they meet that standard.
*** - J1991 purity standard for R-12 specifies limits in parts per million (ppm) by weight.

SAE J639, “Safety Standards for Motor Vehicle Refrigerant Vapor Compression Systems.” This standard serves as an “umbrella standard.” It spells out details for system design, implementation and service, ranging from pressures and key components, to service details. SAE J639 also specifies refrigerant fitting types and sizes for each refrigerant.

SAE standard J1628 establishes procedures for using leak detection equipment. Specifically addressed are electronic leak detectors meeting the SAE Standard J2791 and J2913 for R-1234yf systems.

Keep in mind that SAE standards maybe updated, superseded, or additional ones may be added in the future.
### EPA Standards for R-134a 2 Recover and Recycling of Refrigerant

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<td>J2197 requires R-134a hoses have 1/2-in.-16 ACME thread for connection to connect equipment</td>
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*- J2064 includes requirements for labeling, hose dimensions, materials, construction, permeation rates, burst strength, connection integrity, and the required testing procedures.

**- J2788 only applies to refrigerant handling equipment manufactured or imported after December 31, 2007. J2099 establish purity standards for R-134a and R-1234yf and specifies limits in parts per million (ppm) by weight, and non-condensable gases (air) - by volume.

**EPA Standards for R-1234yf Recover and Recycling of Refrigerant**

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<td>J2297 establishes standards for stability and compatibility of fluorescent dyes for use in mobile R-134a systems and R-1234yf systems. J2297 requirements for providing under-hood labels you can use to indicate fluorescent dye was installed and to identify the dye manufacturer. The label must state: “Caution—System to be Serviced by Qualified Personnel.”</td>
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<td>J2843 requires 98% purity before it will recover and recycle. J2843 requires integration with a refrigerant identifier - internal or external to help avoid contamination</td>
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* - J2064 covers both R-134a and R-1234yf hoses and hose assemblies. Hoses marked “J2064 R-134a/R-1234yf” meet the requirements of J2064 for both R-134a and R-1234yf.

** - SAE standards J1990 (for R-12) and J2788 (for R-134a) and J2843 (for R-1234yf) establish requirements for recovery and recycling equipment - includes hardware-related items, compliance with related SAE standards, and performance criteria.

*** - R-1234yf is a mildly flammable refrigerant so safety needs to be strictly followed when searching for leaks.