

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
Oversight and Safety Division
Alternative Fuels Safety Department



NOTICE TO PROPANE LICENSEES

Amendments to Chapter 9, LP-Gas Safety Rules, Adopted

On June 28, 2022, the Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC) adopted amendments to 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 9, *relating to LP-Gas Safety Rules*. Most of the amendments become effective on July 18, 2022.

The amended and new rules were adopted to incorporate provisions of Senate Bill 1582 and Senate Bill 1668, both enacted by the 87th Legislature (Regular Session), and to make other updates. Senate Bill 1582 amended Natural Resources Code §113.087 and §113.088 to allow required license examination to be performed by a proctoring service. Senate Bill 1668 added Natural Resources Code §113.0955 to require the RRC to waive its Dispenser Operation certification requirements for an individual who completes training and examination consistent with the guidelines established by the Propane Education and Research Council (PERC).

In conjunction with the adopted rules, the RRC has also amended one form and adopted four new forms related to 16 TAC Chapter 9:

- LPG Form 7, *Cargo Tank Registration/Re-Registration*;
- LPG Form 7A, *Container Delivery Unit Registration/Re-Registration*;
- LPG Form 7T, *Cargo Tank and Container Delivery Unit Transfer*;
- LPG Form 16P, *Application for Dispenser Operations Certificate Exemption*; and
- *PERC-Based Training Application*.

The amendments to LPG Form 7 separate the truck registration process into multiple forms, which will make the process more efficient for the alternative fuels industry and RRC staff. The LPG Form 7 was revised to only require information for cargo tank registrations and renewals and adds instructions for completing the form.

New forms LPG Form 7A and LPG Form 7T were created due to separating the LPG Form 7. LPG Form 7A will be submitted for container delivery unit registrations and renewals. The new form allows licensees to submit the correct information needed to register or re-register the unit and includes instructions for completing the form. LPG Form 7T will be submitted for cargo tank and container delivery unit transfers. The new form allows licensees to submit the necessary information to transfer a currently registered unit and includes instructions for completing the form.

Two new forms were created regarding the PERC based training now allowed by rule. LPG Form 16P allows an individual that has completed the appropriate PERC course, and submits the proper documentation, to receive a Dispenser Operations certification. The *PERC-Based Training Application* allows a company to apply with the RRC to administer PERC-based courses that will result in Dispenser Operations certifications for the attending students.

To view the adopted rules, visit the RRC website at <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/media/rchmhikb/adopt-amend-new-ch9-sb1582-sb1668-sig-06282022.pdf>.

To download the forms, visit the RRC website at <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/alternative-fuels/alternative-fuels-forms>.

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