

Petroleum Program

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OPERATING REQUIREMENTS FOR UNATTENDED FUELING FACILITIES

The following items found in NFPA 30A are required, in addition to other basic requirements, where the dispensing of motor fuels at self-service facilities occur without an attendant or supervisor present:

- 1. Fuel dispensing systems must be provided with one or more clearly identified emergency shutoff devices or electrical disconnects that are readily accessible to patrons. These devices or disconnects must be installed in approved locations not less than 20 ft. or more than 100 ft. from the dispensing devices they serve. The devices or disconnects must disconnect power to all dispensing devices, to all remote pumps serving the devices, to all associated power, control, and signal circuits, and to all other electrical equipment in the hazardous location surrounding the dispensing devices. Where more than one shutoff device or disconnect is provided, they all must be interconnected. A manual reset of the emergency shutoff condition is required.
- 2. A fire extinguisher with a minimum rating of 40-B, and located no more than a 30 ft. travel distance from the dispensing devices, must be accessible to patrons.
- 3. Warning signs must be posted in the dispensing area, in a conspicuous location, where they can easily be read, and must incorporate the following or equivalent wording:

WARNING

It is unlawful and dangerous to dispense gasoline into unapproved containers.

No smoking.

Stop motor.

No filling of portable containers in or on a motor vehicle.

Place container on ground before filling.

Discharge your static electricity before fueling by touching a metal surface away from the nozzle.

Do not re-enter your vehicle while gasoline is pumping.

If a fire starts, do not remove nozzle — back away immediately.

Do not allow individuals under licensed age to use the pump.

- 4. Operating instructions must be posted in the dispensing area, in a conspicuous location, where they can easily be read. These instructions must include the location of emergency shutoff devices, fire extinguishers, and a requirement that the user stay outside of their vehicle and in view of the fueling nozzle during dispensing.
- 5. Emergency instructions must be posted in the dispensing area, in a conspicuous location, where they can easily be read, and must incorporate the following or equivalent wording:

EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS

In case of fire or spill:

- 1. Use emergency stop button.
- 2. Report accident by calling (911 or local fire number) on the phone. Report location.

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- 6. A telephone or other approved, clearly identified provided on the site in an approved location. In the site in an approved location is department before unattended operation. Fire departments may enforce more stringent requirements.
- 7. All dispensing nozzles must be a listed, pressure-sensitive, automatic-closing type equipped with latch-open device.