only to the extent that the specified terms and conditions are complied with. A breach of any term or condition causes the exemption to be void ab initio with respect to any engine. Consequently, the causing or the performing of an act prohibited under §91.1103(a) (1) or (2), other than in strict conformity with all terms and conditions of this exemption renders the person to whom the exemption is granted, and any other person to whom the provisions of §91.1103 are applicable, liable under sections 204 and 205 of the Act.

§ 91.1011 Submission of exemption requests.

Requests for exemption or further information concerning exemptions and/or the exemption request review procedure should be addressed to: Manager, Engine Compliance Programs Group 6403J, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

§ 91.1012 Treatment of confidential information.

The provisions for treatment of confidential information described in §91.7 apply to this subpart.


§ 91.1101 Applicability.

The requirements of subpart L are applicable to all marine engines and vessels subject to the provisions of subpart A of this part 91.

§ 91.1102 Definitions.

The definitions in subpart A of this part apply to this subpart. All terms not defined herein or in subpart A have the meaning given them in the Act.

§ 91.1103 Prohibited acts.

(a) The following acts and the causing thereof are prohibited:

1. (i) In the case of a manufacturer of new marine SI engines or vessels for distribution in commerce, the sale, the offering for sale, or the introduction, or delivery for introduction, into commerce, of any new marine SI engine manufactured after the applicable effective date under this part unless such engine is covered by a certificate of conformity issued (and in effect) under regulations found in this part.

(ii) In the case of any person, except as provided by regulation of the Administrator, the importation into the United States of any new marine SI engine manufactured after the applicable effective date under this part unless such engine is covered by a certificate of conformity issued (and in effect) under regulations found in this part.

2. (i) For a person to fail or refuse to permit access to or copying of records or to fail to make reports or provide information required under §91.1104.

(ii) For a person to fail or refuse to permit entry, testing or inspection authorized under §91.118, 91.505 or 91.1104.

(iii) For a person to fail or refuse to perform tests, or to have tests performed as required under §91.118 or §91.1104.

(iv) For a person to fail to establish or maintain records as required under §91.1104.

3. (i) For a person to remove or render inoperative a device or element of design installed on or in a marine engine in compliance with regulations under this part prior to its sale and delivery to the ultimate purchaser, or for a person knowingly to remove or render inoperative such a device or element of design after the sale and delivery to the ultimate purchaser; or

(ii) For a person to manufacture, sell or offer to sell, or install, a part or component intended for use with, or as part of, a marine SI engine, where a principal effect of the part or component is to bypass, defeat, or render inoperative a device or element of design installed on or in a marine SI engine in compliance with regulations issued under this part, and where the person knows or should know that the part or component is being offered for sale or installed for this use or put to such use.

4. For a manufacturer of a new marine SI engine subject to standards prescribed under this part:

(i) To sell, offer for sale, or introduce or deliver into commerce, a marine SI engine unless the manufacturer has complied with the requirements of §91.1203.
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(ii) To sell, offer for sale, or introduce or deliver into commerce, a marine SI engine unless a label or tag is affixed to the engine in accordance with regulations under this part.

(iii) To provide directly or indirectly in any communication to the ultimate purchaser or a subsequent purchaser that the coverage of a warranty under the Act is conditioned upon use of a part, component, or system manufactured by the manufacturer or a person acting for the manufacturer or under its control, or conditioned upon service performed by such persons, except as provided in subpart M of this part.

(iv) To fail or refuse to comply with the terms and conditions of the warranty under subpart M of this part.

(b) For the purposes of enforcement of this part, the following apply:

(1) Nothing in paragraph (a) of this section is to be construed to require the use of manufacturer parts in maintaining or repairing a marine SI engine.

(2) Actions for the purpose of repair or replacement of a device or element of design or any other item are not considered prohibited acts under §91.1103(a) if the actions are a necessary and temporary procedure, the device or element is replaced upon completion of the procedure, and the action results in the proper functioning of the device or element of design.

(3) Actions for the purpose of a conversion of a marine SI engine for use of a clean alternative fuel (as defined in Title II of the Act) are not considered prohibited acts under §91.1103(a) if:

(i) The engine complies with the applicable standard when operating on the alternative fuel, and the device or element is replaced upon completion of the conversion procedure, and

(ii) In the case of engines converted to dual fuel or flexible use, the action results in proper functioning of the device or element when the marine SI engine operates on conventional fuel.

(iv) Where the replacement engine is intended to replace an engine built after the applicable implementation date as described in §§91.2, 91.106 and 91.205(a)(1), but built to less stringent emission standards than those that apply to the year of manufacture of this engine, is a violation of Federal law subject to civil penalty; and

(v) In cases where an engine is to be imported for replacement purposes under the provisions of this paragraph (b)(4), the term “engine manufacturer”:

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§ 91.1104 General enforcement provisions.

(a) Information collection provisions. (1) Every manufacturer of new marine SI engines and other persons subject to the requirements of this part must establish and maintain records, perform tests where such testing is otherwise reasonably available under this part, make reports and provide information the Administrator may reasonably require to determine whether the manufacturer or other person has acted or is acting in compliance with this part or to otherwise carry out the provisions of this part, and must, upon request of an officer or employee duly designated by the Administrator, permit the officer or employee at reasonable times to have access to and copy such records.

(2) For purposes of enforcement of this part, an officer or employee duly designated by the Administrator, upon presenting appropriate credentials, is authorized:

(i) To enter, at reasonable times, any establishment of the manufacturer, or of any person whom the manufacturer engaged to perform any activity required under paragraph (a)(1) of this section, for the purposes of inspecting or observing any activity conducted pursuant to paragraph (a)(1) of this section, and

(ii) To inspect records, files, papers, processes, controls, and facilities used in performing an activity required by paragraph (a)(1) of this section, by the manufacturer or by a person whom the manufacturer engaged to perform the activity.

(b) Exemption provision. The Administrator may exempt a new marine engine from compliance with §91.1103 upon such terms and conditions as the Administrator may find necessary for the purpose of export, research, investigations, studies, demonstrations, or training, or for reasons of national security.

(c) Importation provision. (1) A new marine SI engine, or vessel offered for importation or imported by a person in violation of §91.1103 shall be refused admission into the United States, but the Secretary of the Treasury and the Administrator may, by joint regulation, provide for deferring a final determination as to admission and authorizing the delivery of such a marine SI engine offered for import to the owner or consignee thereof upon such terms and conditions (including the furnishing of a bond) as may appear to them appropriate to insure that the marine SI engine will be brought into conformity with the standards, requirements, and limitations applicable to it under this part.

(2) If a marine SI engine is finally refused admission under this paragraph, the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause disposition thereof in accordance with the customs laws unless it is exported, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, within 90 days of the date of notice of the refusal or additional time as may be permitted pursuant to the regulations.

(3) Disposition in accordance with the customs laws may not be made in such manner as may result, directly or indirectly, in the sale, to the ultimate consumer, of a new marine SI engine that fails to comply with applicable standards of the Administrator under this part.

(d) Export provision. A new marine SI engine intended solely for export, and so labeled or tagged on the outside of the container and on the engine itself, shall be subject to the provisions of §91.1103, except that if the country that is to receive the engine has emission standards that differ from the standards prescribed under subpart B of this part, then the engine must comply with the standards of the country that is to receive the engine.

§ 91.1105 Injunction proceedings for prohibited acts.

(a) The district courts of the United States have jurisdiction to restrain violations of §91.1103.

(b) Actions to restrain such violations must be brought by and in the name of the United States. In an action, subpoenas for witnesses who are
required to attend a district court in any district may run into any other district.

§ 91.1106 Penalties.

(a) Violations. A violation of the requirements of this subpart is a violation of the applicable provisions of the Act, including sections 203 and 213(d), and is subject to the penalty provisions thereunder.

(1) A person who violates § 91.1103(a)(1), (a)(4), or (a)(5), or a manufacturer or dealer who violates § 91.1103(a)(3)(i), is subject to a civil penalty of not more than $25,000 for each violation.

(2) A person other than a manufacturer or dealer who violates § 91.1103(a)(3)(i) or any person who violates § 91.1103(a)(3)(ii) is subject to a civil penalty of not more than $2,500 for each violation.

(3) A violation with respect to § 91.1103 (a)(1), (a)(3)(i), (a)(4), or (a)(5) constitutes a separate offense with respect to each marine SI engine.

(4) A violation with respect to § 91.1103(a)(3)(ii) constitutes a separate offense with respect to each part or component. Each day of a violation with respect to § 91.1103(a)(6) constitutes a separate offense.

(5) A person who violates § 91.1103 (a)(2) or (a)(6) is subject to a civil penalty of not more than $25,000 per day of violation.

(b) Civil actions. The Administrator may commence a civil action to assess and recover any civil penalty under paragraph (a) of this section.

(1) An action under this paragraph may be brought in the district court of the United States for the district in which the violation is alleged to have occurred or in which the defendant resides or has the Administrator’s principal place of business, and the court shall have jurisdiction to assess a civil penalty.

(2) In determining the amount of a civil penalty to be assessed under this paragraph, the court is to take into account the gravity of the violation, the economic benefit or savings (if any) resulting from the violation, the size of the violator’s business, the violator’s history of compliance with Title II of the Act, action taken to remedy the violation, the effect of the penalty on the violator’s ability to continue in business, and such other matters as justice may require.

(3) In any such action, subpoenas for witnesses who are required to attend a district court in any district may run into any other district.

(c) Administrative assessment of certain penalties—(1) Administrative penalty authority. In lieu of commencing a civil action under paragraph (b) of this section, the Administrator shall assess any civil penalty prescribed in paragraph (a) of this section, except that the maximum amount of penalty sought against each violator in a penalty assessment proceeding can not exceed $200,000, unless the Administrator and the Attorney General jointly determine that a matter involving a larger penalty amount is appropriate for administrative penalty assessment. Any such determination by the Administrator and the Attorney General is not subject to judicial review. Assessment of a civil penalty is made by an order made on the record after opportunity for a hearing held in accordance with the procedures found at part 22 of this chapter. The Administrator may compromise, or remit, with or without conditions, any administrative penalty which may be imposed under this section.

(2) Determining amount. In determining the amount of any civil penalty assessed under this subsection, the Administrator is to take into account the gravity of the violation, the economic benefit or savings (if any) resulting from the violation, the size of the violator’s business, the violator’s history of compliance with Title II of the Act, action taken to remedy the violation, the effect of the penalty on the violator’s ability to continue in business, and such other matters as justice may require.

(3) Effect of administrator’s action. (i) Action by the Administrator under this paragraph does not affect or limit the Administrator’s authority to enforce any provisions of this part; except that any violation with respect to which the Administrator has commenced and is diligently prosecuting an action under
§ 91.1107  Warranty provisions.

(a) The manufacturer of each marine SI engine must warrant to the ultimate purchaser and each subsequent purchaser that the engine is designed, built, and equipped so as to conform at the time of sale with applicable regulations under section 213 of the Act, and is free from defects in materials and workmanship which cause such engine to fail to conform with applicable regulations for its warranty period (as determined under § 91.1203).

(b) In the case of an engine part, the manufacturer or rebuilder of the part may certify according to § 85.2112 of this chapter that use of the part will not result in a failure of the engine to comply with emission standards promulgated in this part.

(c) For the purposes of this section, the owner of any engine warranted under this part is responsible for the proper maintenance of the engine. Proper maintenance includes replacement and service, at the owner's expense at a service establishment or facility of the owner's choosing, such
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§ 91.1108  In-use compliance provisions.

(a) Effective with respect to marine engine and vessels manufactured during model years 1997 and after:

(1) If the Administrator determines that a substantial number of any class or category of engines, although properly maintained and used, do not conform to the regulations prescribed under section 213 of the Act when in actual use throughout their useful life (as defined under §91.105(a)), the Administrator shall immediately notify the manufacturer of such nonconformity and require the manufacturer to submit a plan for remedying the nonconformity of the engines with respect to which such notification is given.

(i) The manufacturer’s plan shall provide that the nonconformity of any such engines which are properly used and maintained will be remedied at the expense of the manufacturer.

(ii) If the manufacturer disagrees with such determination of nonconformity and so advises the Administrator, the Administrator shall afford the manufacturer and other interested persons an opportunity to present their views and evidence in support thereof at a public hearing. Unless, as a result of such hearing, the Administrator withdraws such determination of nonconformity, the Administrator shall, within 60 days after the completion of such hearing, order the manufacturer to provide prompt notification of such nonconformity in accordance with paragraph (a)(2) of this section. The manufacturer shall comply in all respects with the requirements of subpart I of this part.

(2) Any notification required to be given by the manufacturer under paragraph (a)(1) of this section with respect to any class or category of engines shall be given to dealers, ultimate purchasers, and subsequent purchasers (if known) in such manner and containing such information as required in subparts I and J of this part.

(3)(i) The manufacturer shall furnish with each new engine written instructions for the proper maintenance and use of the engine by the ultimate purchaser as required under §91.1204. The manufacturer shall provide in boldface type on the first page of the written maintenance instructions notice that maintenance, replacement, or repair of the emission control devices and systems may be performed by any engine repair establishment or individual using any engine part which has been certified as provided in §91.1107(b).

(ii) The instruction under paragraph (a)(3)(i) of this section must not include any condition on the ultimate purchaser’s using, in connection with such engine, any component or service (other than a component or service provided without charge under the terms of the purchase agreement) which is identified by brand, trade, or corporate name. Subject instructions also must not directly or indirectly distinguish between service performed by the franchised dealers of such manufacturer, or any other service establishments with which such manufacturer has a commercial relationship, and service performed by independent engine repair facilities with which such manufacturer has no commercial relationship.

(iii) The prohibition of paragraph (a)(3)(ii) of this section may be waived by the Administrator if:

(A) The manufacturer satisfies the Administrator that the engine will function properly only if the component or service so identified is used in connection with such engine, and

(B) The Administrator finds that such a waiver is in the public interest.

(iv) In addition, the manufacturer shall indicate by means of a label or tag permanently affixed to the engine that the engine is covered by a certificate of conformity issued for the purpose of assuring achievement of emission standards prescribed under section 213 of the Act. This label or tag shall also contain information relating to control of emissions as prescribed under §91.113.

(b) The manufacturer bears all cost obligation a dealer incurs as a result of
§ 91.1201 Applicability.

The requirements of this subpart M are applicable to all engines subject to the provisions of subpart A of this part 91.

§ 91.1202 Definitions.

The definitions of subpart A of this part apply to this subpart.

§ 91.1203 Emission warranty, warranty period.

(a) Warranties imposed by this subpart shall be phased in according to the following schedule.

(1) For model years 1998–2000, and for MY 1997 engine families certified pursuant to §91.205, all emission related components shall be warranted for a period of one year of engine use.

(2) For model years 2001–2003:

(i) Emission related components shall be warranted for a period of one year of engine use.

(ii) Specified major emission control components shall be warranted for a period of three years or 200 hours of engine use, whichever occurs first.

(b) For model years 2004 and beyond:

(i) Emission-related components shall be warranted for a period of two years or 200 hours of engine use, whichever occurs first.

(ii) Specified major emission control components shall be warranted for a period of three years or 200 hours of engine use, whichever occurs first.

(c) In the case of a marine SI engine part, the manufacturer or builder of the part may certify according to §85.2112 of this chapter that use of the part will not result in a failure of the engine to comply with emission standards promulgated in this part.

(d) For the purposes of this section, the owner of any marine SI engine warranted under this part is responsible for the proper maintenance of the engine as stated in the manufacturer’s written instructions. Proper maintenance generally includes replacement and service, at the owner’s expense at a service establishment or facility of the owner’s choosing, such items as spark plugs, points, condensers, and any other part, item, or device related to emission control (but not designed for emission control) under the terms of the last sentence of section 207(a)(3) of the Act, unless such part, item, or device is covered by any warranty not mandated by this Act.

§ 91.1204 Furnishing of maintenance and use instructions to ultimate purchaser.

(a) The manufacturer must furnish or cause to be furnished to the ultimate purchaser of each new marine SI engine written instructions for the maintenance and use needed to assure proper functioning of the emission control system.