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§ 63.1029 Pumps, valves, connectors, and agitators in heavy liquid service; pressure relief devices in liquid service; and instrumentation systems standards.

- (a) Compliance schedule. The owner or operator shall comply with this section no later than the compliance dates specified in the referencing subpart.
- (b) Leak detection—(1) Monitoring method. Unless otherwise specified in §63.1021(b), §63.1036, or §63.1037, the owner or operator shall comply with paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section. Pumps, valves, connectors, and agitators in heavy liquid service; pressure relief devices in light liquid or heavy liquid service; and instrumentation systems shall be monitored within 5 calendar days by the method specified in §63.1023(b) and, as applicable, §63.1023(c), if evidence of a potential leak to the atmosphere is found by visual, audible, olfactory, or any other detection method, unless the potential leak is repaired as required in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (2) Instrument reading that defines a leak. If an instrument reading of 10,000 parts per million or greater for agitators, 5,000 parts per million or greater for pumps handling polymerizing monomers, 2,000 parts per million or greater for pumps in food and medical service, or 2,000 parts per million or greater for all other pumps (including pumps in food/medical service), or 500 parts per million or greater for valves, connectors, instrumentation systems, and pressure relief devices is measured pursuant to paragraph (b)(1) of this section, a leak is detected and shall be repaired pursuant to §63.1024, as applicable.
- (c) Leak repair. For equipment identified in paragraph (b) of this section that is not monitored by the method specified in §63.1023(b) and, as applicable, §63.1023(c), repaired shall mean that the visual, audible, olfactory, or other indications of a leak to the atmosphere have been eliminated; that no bubbles are observed at potential leak sites during a leak check using soap solution; or that the system will hold a test pressure.

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§ 63.1030 Pressure relief devices in gas and vapor service standards.

- (a) Compliance schedule. The owner or operator shall comply with this section no later than the compliance dates specified in the referencing subpart.
- (b) Compliance standard. Except during pressure releases as provided for in paragraph (c) of this section, or as otherwise specified in §§ 63.1036, 63.1037, or paragraphs (d) and (e) of this section, each pressure relief device in gas and vapor service shall be operated with an instrument reading of less than 500 parts per million as measured by the method specified in §63.1023(b) and, as applicable, §63.1023(c).
- (c) Pressure relief requirements. (1) After each pressure release, the pressure relief device shall be returned to a condition indicated by an instrument reading of less than 500 parts per million, as soon as practical, but no later than 5 calendar days after each pressure release, except as provided in §63.1024(d).
- (2) The pressure relief device shall be monitored no later than five calendar days after the pressure to confirm the condition indicated by an instrument reading of less than 500 parts per million above background, as measured by the method specified in §63.1023(b) and, as applicable, §63.1023(c).
- (3) The owner or operator shall record the dates and results of the monitoring required by paragraph (c)(2) of this section following a pressure release including the background level measured and the maximum instrument reading measured during the monitoring.
- (d) Pressure relief devices routed to a process or fuel gas system or equipped with a closed vent system and control device. Any pressure relief device that is routed to a process or fuel gas system or equipped with a closed vent system capable of capturing and transporting leakage from the pressure relief device to a control device meeting the requirements of §63.1034 is exempt from the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.
- (e) Rupture disk exemption. Any pressure relief device that is equipped with a rupture disk upstream of the pressure relief device is exempt from the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (c) of