

40 C.F.R. § 204.54

Test procedures.

- (a) *General.* This section prescribes the conditions under which noise emission standard compliance Selective Enforcement Auditing or Testing by the Administrator must be conducted and the measurement procedures that must be used to measure the sound level and to calculate the average sound level of portable air compressors on which the test is conducted.
- (b) Test site description. The location for measuring noise employed during noise compliance testing must consist of an open site above a hard reflecting plane. The reflecting plane must consist of a surface of sealed concrete or sealed asphalt and must extend one (1) meter beyond each microphone location. No reflecting surface, such as a building, signboard, hillside, etc., shall be located within 10 meters of a microphone location.
- (c) *Measurement equipment*. The measurement equipment must be used during noise standard compliance testing and must consist of the following or its equivalent:
- (1) A sound level meter and microphone system that conform to the Type I requirements of American National Standard (ANS) S1.4–1971, "Specification for Sound Level Meters," and to the requirements of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Publication No. 179, "Precision Sound Level Meters."
- (2) A windscreen must be employed with the microphone during all measurements of portable air compressor noise when the wind speed exceeds 11 km/hr. The windscreen shall not affect the A-weighted sound levels from the portable air compressor in excess of ± 0.5 dB.

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