

**TITLE 380. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
CHAPTER 80. ALTERNATIVE FUELS PROGRAM**

**RULEMAKING ACTION:**

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

**PROPOSED RULES:**

Chapter 80. Alternative Fuels Program [NEW]

**SUMMARY:**

The Oklahoma Department of Labor is proposing permanent rules to supersede emergency rules previously adopted governing the licensing of alternative fuels conversion technicians, alternative fuels compression technicians, alternative fuels conversion companies, and alternative fuels compression companies and the enforcement of standards. The rules previously in effect in OAC 580:55, later adopted as emergency rules at OAC 380:80, served as the foundation for these proposed permanent rules. The rules also govern inspection of compressed natural gas compression, storage, and dispensing systems. The rules permanently codify the existing statutory fee schedule. The circumstances which created the need for the rules are that the Alternative Fuels program was transferred to the Oklahoma Department of Labor in 2014 making the Department of Labor responsible for licensing alternative fuels technicians and companies. Emergency rules were adopted which are effective through September 14, 2016. Additionally, the Department of Labor has been tasked with inspecting compressed natural gas fill stations. These rules are authorized by 40 O.S. § 142.1 and 40 O.S. §142.2. The intended effect of the rules is to provide a uniform program for testing, licensing, and enforcement related to alternative fuels technicians and companies and to provide clear standards for the inspection of compressed natural gas fill stations.

**AUTHORITY:**

Department of Labor; 40 O.S. § 142.1, Alternative Fuels Technician Certification Act

**COMMENT PERIOD:**

Persons wishing to make written or oral comments may do so by 5:00 p.m., March 18, 2016, at the Oklahoma Department of Labor, Office of the General Counsel, 3017 N. Stiles, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73105.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

A public hearing will be held to provide a means by which persons may offer suggested input on the content of the proposed rules: 10:00 a.m., March 18, 2016, at the Oklahoma Department of Labor, 3017 N. Stiles, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73105.

**REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:**

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, about the increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing by 5:00 p.m., March 18, 2016, at the Oklahoma Department of Labor, Office of the General Counsel, 3017 N. Stiles, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73105.

**COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:**

Copies of proposed rules are available at the Oklahoma Department of Labor, 3017 N. Stiles, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 or online at [www.ok.gov/odol](http://www.ok.gov/odol).

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Pursuant to 75 O.S., §303(D), a rule impact statement will be prepared and will be available beginning March 1, 2016 at the same locations listed above for reviewing and obtaining copies of the proposed rules.

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