

TECH NOTES

OREGON OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH DIVISION STANDARDS AND TECHNICAL RESOURCES SECTION

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The Oregon State Fire Marshall has rules governing certain work with LPG and other gaseous fuels. Some of these rules closely parallel ours and this document is intended to clarify the boundaries and jurisdiction.

The Fire Marshall's rules require a gas fitter's license when doing work defined in their standards. The filling of vehicle fuel tanks from a stationery source and/or the simple exchange of empty tanks for full ones are NOT covered by this standard. There is no Fire Marshall or OR-OSHA requirement for any license for these procedures. However, the Fire Marshall requires the license for persons doing work on LP gas piping, engines or carburetors.

The Fire Marshall's standards also require a truck equipment operator's license for certain jobs that handle LPG. This standard refers only to vehicles and equipment used to deliver fuel to a bulk fueling site. Again, operations involving the fueling of vehicles such as lift trucks from a stationery facility, are not covered and do NOT require the license.