

# Policy: District Permitting Requirements for CARB PERP-Registered Equipment

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**Objective** The objective of this policy is to clarify District permitting requirements for equipment that is registered with the state's portable equipment registration program (PERP).

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**Policy** PERP-registered equipment, as allowed by CARB, is exempt from District permitting as long as the PERP registration is obtained and can be maintained.

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**Definition of Portable** The definition of "portable" is defined in Section 2452(dd) of the Regulation to Establish a Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program (Effective 2/19/2011).

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**Background and Rationale** There has been inconsistent application on whether PERP-registered equipment also needs a District permit. If an owner/operator can obtain and maintain a CARB PERP registration for equipment operating in the District, a District permit will not be required. If the PERP registration cannot be obtained and maintained, permitting is determined by District rules.

PERP is a voluntary statewide program to register portable equipment such as air compressors, generators, concrete pumps, tub grinders, wood chippers, water pumps, drill rigs, pile drivers, rock drills, abrasive blasters, aggregate screening and crushing plants, concrete batch plants, and welders. Depending on the district, portable equipment registered in PERP may operate throughout the state without obtaining permits from any of California's 35 air quality management or air pollution control districts.

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**Examples of Prohibitions** Section 2451(c) of the state regulation identifies equipment that are not eligible for PERP. The following example would require District permits:

- Portable asphalt batch plants; however the engine that powers the equipment is PERP-eligible.
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**Verification and circumvention** The Compliance and Enforcement Division is responsible for verifying compliance with PERP-registration requirements, including circumvention and loss of portable status.

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**References**

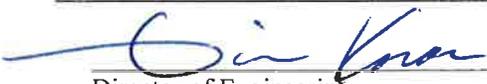
- PERP Regulation, Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Sections 2450 to 2464
- Portable Equipment FAQs, <http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable/perp/perpfaq.pdf>
- Health & Safety Code, Sections 41750 to 41755

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