

Guideline: Grouping of Coating, Adhesive or Printing Operations into a Single Permitted Source

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If the applicant agrees, related coating, adhesive and/or printing operations may be grouped into a single permitted source, provided the POC and NPOC emissions meet one of the following criteria.

- Emissions from the grouped source are less than or equal to 3000 lb/yr per pollutant.
 - A single *de minimis* coating, adhesive or printing operation less than 25 lb/yr per pollutant may be grouped with a second coating, adhesive or printing operation, regardless of the size of the second operation.
 - As allowed by [Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 401.3](#), operations that individually emit less than 150 lb/yr per pollutant may be grouped together, regardless of total emissions.
 - If abated, all components of the group must be abated by the same abatement device.
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Exceptions to this guideline

This guideline does not apply to:

- Photoresist applicators in a semiconductor fab area, because photoresist applicators are included as part of a fab, regardless of emissions;
 - Solvent cleaning devices (i.e. cold cleaners, vapor degreasers, conveyORIZED cleaners) because these devices are permitted as individual sources unless they qualify for an exemption in [Reg. 2-1-118](#);
 - Surface preparation (should be permitted as a separate wipe cleaning source, unless exempt under [Reg. 2-1-118](#)).
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Examples of related coating, adhesive or printing operations

Related coating, adhesive or printing operations include, but are not limited to, operations that satisfy one or more of the following:

- same type of equipment (i.e. spray booth, lithographic, flexographic, gravure, silk screen, etc.);
 - located in the same room or general area;
 - applying ink, adhesive or coating to the same part or material;
 - controlled by the same abatement device;
 - subject to the same set of permit conditions;
 - subject to the same regulation.
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Related Policies [Grouping Curing and Drying Ovens with the Associated Surface Coating Source \(10/11/96, reformatted 6/9/08\)](#)
[Grouping Resin Storage Tanks at Polyester Resin Operations \(9/23/93, reformatted 6/9/08\)](#)

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