EPA Section 608 Certification for Air Conditioning & Refrigeration

Section 608 of the Federal Clean Air Act requires that all persons who maintain, service, repair or dispose of appliances that contain regulated refrigerants be certified in proper refrigerant handling techniques.

The EPA has also placed a sales restriction on refrigerants, limiting the sale of regulated refrigerants to certified technicians only.



Find out more by contacting:



## You must be certified

to handle refrigerants!

EPA Certification available here. See inside for details.

## **Exam Preparation Materials**



The ESCO Institute's EPA Section 608 Preparatory Manual will help you successfully prepare for the Universal Exam.

Available in English and Spanish

To further help you prepare for the exam, FREE practice exams are available at www.escogroup.org.





## EPA Certification Exam Format

EPA regulations require the test to be a "closed book" proctored exam.

The only outside materials allowed are a temperature/pressure chart, scratch paper and a calculator.

The certification exam contains 4 sections: Core, Type I, Type II, Type III.

- Type I Persons who maintain, service or repair small appliances must be certified as Type I Technicians.
- Type II Persons who maintain, service, repair or dispose of high or very high pressure appliances, except for small appliances or motor vehicle air conditioning systems, must be certified as Type II technicians.
- Type III Persons who service, maintain, repair, or dispose of low pressure appliance must be certified as Type III technicians.
- Universal Persons who maintain, service, repair, or dispose of small

appliances as well as high and low pressure equipment, must be certified as Universal technicians.



## **Earning Certification**

- Each exam section contains 25 multiple choice questions. The technician must achieve a passing score of 70% in each Type in which they are to be certified.
- All technicians must pass the CORE section before receiving any certification.
- A technician seeking certification must correctly answer 18 out of 25 questions on the CORE and at least one other section of the exam.
- A technician seeking Universal certification must correctly answer 18 out of 25 questions on each section of the exam.

