

Recommendations

The Board recommends the following actions to ensure that technicians working in the aviation industry are compliant with the Act and Regulations while contributing to Australia's effort in reducing emissions of ODS & SGG scheduled extinguishing agents into the atmosphere:

- Operators of aviation sites with gaseous fire suppression systems containing scheduled extinguishing agents must ensure that the installation and maintenance of these systems is done by licensed technicians.
- Licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineers (LAMEs) and Aircraft Maintenance Engineers (AMEs) handling scheduled extinguishing agents complete the unit CPPFES2043A - *Prevent ozone depleting substance and synthetic greenhouse gas emissions* or an equivalent assessment to achieve competency.
- All technicians working with scheduled extinguishing agents must hold the appropriate licence, authorisation or permit.
- Regular service and maintenance of gaseous fire suppression systems to ensure full functionality in the event of a fire.

The Board has produced a [Good Practice Guide](#) and numerous [factsheets](#) that are aimed at educating field practitioners in appropriate work practices and the precautions to be observed in avoiding unwanted emissions of scheduled extinguishing agents.

All technicians should be thoroughly familiar with these handling precautions and with relevant Australian Standards impacting on such activity.

Do you require a licence?

Licences, authorisations and permits are issued by the Fire Protection Industry (ODS & SGG) Board and are required when handling scheduled extinguishing agents in the aviation industry.

- Technicians installing, servicing, maintaining or decommissioning systems containing scheduled extinguishing agents must hold an Extinguishing Agent Handling Licence (EAHL).
- Technicians or companies who buy, store and/or sell scheduled extinguishing agents must hold an Extinguishing Agent Trading Authorisation (EATA).
- Companies possessing halon are required to hold a Halon Special Permit (HSP).

Contact the Board or find out more about the fire protection industry permit scheme?

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