

California Adopts New Air Conditioning Regulations for 2025

SACRAMENTO, CA, UNITED STATES, January 21, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The year 2025 marks a significant shift in the air conditioning industry as new regulations and technological advancements take effect. These changes are set to impact homeowners, HVAC professionals, and the environment.

Starting January 1, 2025, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will enforce a global warming potential (GWP) limit of 750 for air conditioning refrigerants. This means that the commonly used R-410A refrigerant, with a GWP of 2,088, will no longer be permitted in new air conditioning units. Instead, manufacturers will transition to alternative refrigerants like R-454B and R-32, which have significantly lower GWPs and are more environmentally friendly.

The phase-out of R-410A is part of a broader global effort to reduce the environmental impact of refrigerants that contribute to global warming and ozone depletion. The new refrigerants, classified as mildly flammable (A2L), will require updates to standards and building codes to ensure safe installation. Despite their flammability, extensive testing has shown that A2L refrigerants pose a lower risk compared to other



flammable refrigerants.

Homeowners considering new air conditioning systems should be aware of these changes and their potential impact on costs and availability. Systems using the new refrigerants are expected to be more expensive initially due to the costs associated with transitioning to new technologies and training technicians. However, these systems will offer long-term benefits in terms of energy efficiency and environmental sustainability.

HVAC professionals will need to adapt to the new regulations and refrigerants. Training and certification programs will be essential to ensure that technicians are equipped to handle the new systems safely and effectively. The industry is also expected to see an increase in demand for services related to the installation and maintenance of the new air conditioning units.

The transition to low-GWP refrigerants is a positive step towards reducing the carbon footprint of the HVAC industry and contributing to California's environmental goals. By adopting these new refrigerants, the state aims to make significant progress in combating climate change and promoting sustainable living.

For homeowners and businesses looking to navigate these changes, SuperBrother.com offers valuable resources and support. The platform provides expert advice on selecting energy-efficient air conditioning systems, comparing products, and connecting with certified installers. SuperBrother.com also offers tools to track the status of rebate applications and ensure timely processing.

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