

Changing State of Refrigerants – Digest 2024-6

Did You Know?

Effective 1-1-2025

California Senate Bill #1206 Bans the Sale of High GWP Refrigerants!

On September 30, 2022, the Governor of California signed Senate Bill 1206 SB1206 prohibits any person or company from offering for sale Virgin High GWP Refrigerants per the following schedule:

- Refrigerants Greater than 2200 GWP starting 1-1-2025
- Refrigerants Greater than 1500 GWP starting 1-1-2030
- Refrigerants Greater than 750 GWP starting 1-1-2033

Common Refrigerants Impacted by this Bill:

AR4 GWP Value	Effective Date	Most Common* Refrigerants in this Group
Greater than 2200	1/1/2025	R404A, R421A, R422B, R422D, R434A, R438A, R507
Greater than 1500	1/1/2030	R407A, R407C, R407F, R410A, R458A
Greater than 750	1/1/2033	R134A, R448A, R449A

^{*}Many other less popular refrigerants are also affected

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- The sales prohibition applies to all levels of the supply chain:
 - Manufacturers, Distributors and Contractors
- There is no sell through period on existing inventory
- For service of existing systems your options are:
 - To Service the system with Reclaimed** Refrigerant
 - To Retrofit to an approved lower GWP Refrigerant
 - To Retire and replace the equipment
 - ** Reclaimed Refrigerants are not Regulated **



