

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Title of Rule: Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 10, "Air Pollution Episodes"

Rule Identifier: 250-RICR-120-05-10

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: 09/11/2018

End of Public Comment: 10/11/2018

Authority for this Rulemaking:

R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-17.1-2(19)

R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 23-23

R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 42-35

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

The purpose of this regulation is to prevent to excessive buildup of air pollutants during air pollution episodes, thereby preventing the occurrence of an emergency due to the effects of the pollutants on the health of persons. The rule is being updated to reflect current RICR APA formatting requirements and to reflect current EPA limits for qualification of the episode. Sections 10.5(A)(2) through (5) have been amended to reflect the current EPA standards in 40 C.F.R. Appendix L to Part 51.

Additional Information and Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until October 11, 2018 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by an agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within thirty (30) days of this notice.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

The proposed revisions are necessary to technically correct Part 10 and do not impose any new requirements on regulated entities including any small businesses or any city or town, therefore there is no adverse economic impact. A fact sheet that more fully describes the proposed revision to the regulation as well as copies of the proposed, revised regulation is available on the Department's website from the Office of Air Resources homepage (<http://www.dem.ri.gov/documents/regulations/index.php#air>).

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.