

F-Gas Regulations FAQ's

The changing legislation and **F-Gas Regulations** are not exactly light-reading; what everyone really wants is a list of the most frequently asked questions and straight answers!

Read AF International's simple guide and let it steer you through the changing legislation.

Why are the regulations changing?
The HFC gas currently used has a very high GWP.

What exactly does GWP stand for?

GWP stands for Global Warming Potential and is calculated based on the propellant used in an aerosol. The current aerosols using HFC gases have GWP's in excess of 150.

I like the current sprayduster and I am reluctant to change.

We understand and have some good news! Although we cannot supply spraydusters containing HFC 134a after 31st December 2017 we will be continuing to offer spraydusters under the same product codes but featuring a new formulation. The existing range will be updated to contain HFO gas; this is non-flammable, environmentally friendly and most importantly fully compliant with new legislation.

Will this cost me more?

Yes, the price positioning will be higher than your current HFC 134a product. Unfortunately, the new spraydusters will utilise some higher priced materials and this will be reflected in the pricing.

So, just to be clear, will I be able to purchase my current non-flammable sprayduster containing HFC gas after 1st January 2018?

No, however this existing range will be replaced with the fully compliant formulation under the exact same product codes.

Would use of compressed air be an option?

No, afraid not. Compressed air whilst cheap and readily available does not offer long term powerful spraydusters; they tend to lose their power after 3 or 4 sprays.

If I require a non-flammable sprayduster, will the new formulation containing HFO be my only option?

No, there are 2 Options.

Option One; choose the existing range, non-flammable and environmentally friendly, containing the fully compliant formulation from 1st January 2018 under exactly the same product codes.

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Option Two; choose the Sprayduster ZERO for a completely environmentally friendly option with a global warming potential of just 1.

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What exactly is Sprayduster Zero?

Sprayduster Zero is a revolutionary new type of sprayduster that uses sustainably sourced, activated carbon. It is a non-flammable, invertible product designed to remove dust, dirt and airborne contamination from delicate and inaccessible areas of electronic equipment in three different 'blast' strengths.

Can I use Sprayduster Zero to clean areas with delicate equipment?

You can use this air duster for normal cleaning processes as supplied however if you want to use it in smaller more delicate areas, the lower power setting with an extension tube is also an option.

I've previously utilised flammable spraydusters – are these affected by the legislation?

No, the legislative changes do not affect flammable spraydusters.

Can flammable spraydusters be used in exactly the same way as my current sprayduster?

Absolutely NOT. There are very strict safety precautions to be observed when using flammable spraydusters; for example, they must never be used on live equipment.



Knowledge most definitely is power and understanding these key points will enable you to make an informed decision regarding your sprayduster of choice.

The choice is yours - Option 1 or 2?