

Hand this to your contractor

This appliance holds 15 pounds or more of refrigerant, so since 1 January 2026 the EPA's leak repair rule applies to it. These are the paragraphs that bind a service visit.

1. **Applicability: full charge.** The leak repair section applies to refrigerant-containing appliances with a full charge of 15 or more pounds of refrigerant. 84.106(a)
2. **Calculate the leak rate on every addition.** The owner or operator must calculate the leak rate every time refrigerant is added to an appliance, unless the addition immediately follows a retrofit or a new installation, or qualifies as a seasonal variance. The person adding the refrigerant must give the owner or operator documentation of the service. 84.106(b)
3. **The technician hands the owner the record.** If the work is done by someone other than the owner or operator, that person must provide the owner or operator with a record of the appliance, the date, the parts, the type of work, who did it, and the refrigerant added or removed. 84.106(1)(4)
4. **Leak rate limit: commercial refrigeration.** 20 percent leak rate for commercial refrigeration appliances. 84.106(c)(2)(i)
5. **Leak rate limit: comfort cooling and other.** 10 percent leak rate for comfort cooling appliances, refrigerated transport appliances, and any other covered appliance not in the first two categories. 84.106(c)(2)(iii)
6. **Repair within 30 days.** Leaks must be identified and repaired within 30 days of the refrigerant addition that exceeded the applicable leak rate (120 days if an industrial process shutdown is required). Repairs must be made by a certified technician. 84.106(c)(1), (d)
7. **Initial verification test.** An initial verification test must be performed within 30 days (120 with an industrial process shutdown) of exceeding the leak rate, after the repair and before refrigerant is added back. 84.106(e)(1)
8. **Follow-up verification test.** A follow-up verification test must be performed within 10 days of the successful initial verification test, or within 10 days of the appliance returning to normal operating characteristics and conditions if it was evacuated for the repair. 84.106(e)(2)
9. **Records: leak inspections.** Records of leak inspections must include the date, the method or methods used, a list of the location of each leak identified, and a certification that all visible and accessible parts were inspected. The certified technician must, on conclusion of the service, provide the owner or operator with documentation that meets these requirements. 84.106(1)(5)
10. **Verification test records.** Records of the dates and results of every initial and follow-up verification test, the repaired leaks tested, and the test methods; the technician provides this documentation on conclusion of the service. 84.106(1)(7)
11. **Records kept three years.** All leak repair records must be kept for at least three years, in electronic or paper format. Appliance records are kept until three years after the appliance is retired. 84.106(1), (1)(1)

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The owner keeps the record for three years. Nothing on this sheet says whether the appliance is in compliance; it says what the sections require and where to read them.