



PROPANE SERVICE UPDATE

PROPANE SERVICE UPDATE #11-0121REVA



“Overfill Protection Device” Certification – NO LICENSE REQUIRED

In the step well of your propane unit, you will find a tag in the upper right hand corner which reads “Annual OPD Verification Record” (shown in Figures #1 & #2). The OPD is the device which automatically shuts the fuel off when the tank is 80% full. This certification can be performed by the driver, technician or fuel provider and confirms that the fuel supply stops at 80% or 60 gallons +/- 3 gallons.

As the tag states, the unit will run until the fuel level is at 5% or 1/8 of a tank. At that point the tank is filled and with the bleeder open the person doing the certification watches to see when liquid propane is expelled from the bleeder as a mist. If the OPD cuts the fuel out before the bleeder emits propane than it is properly working. Or if the mist starts and the fuel continues to pump the person certifying needs to record when the mist started and when the pump shut off, if the difference is 3 gallons or less than the unit passes. If it is more, you should check to see what the issue is.

As stated, this should be done annually and the tag initialed by the person doing the certification.

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Figure #1

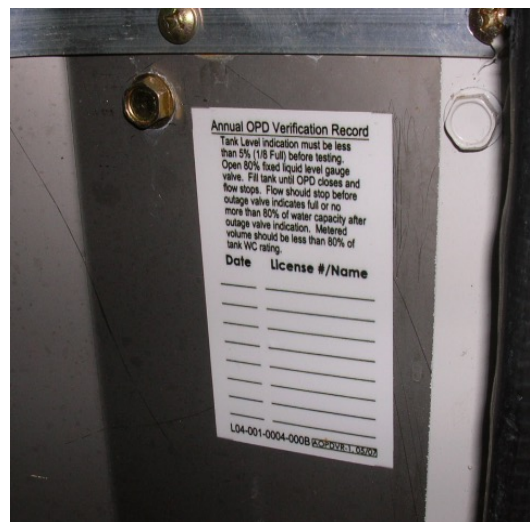


Figure #2

UPDATE 1-17-2018:

Recently we have had questions concerning the “License #” listed with the Name on the tag. After some research we spoke with Roush. They do not see any issues with authorized and trained technicians, whom already work on their products, performing these inspections.

We also spoke with a member of the Propane Education Research Council (PERC) along with a fueling trainer from a fuel supplier. They explained that should you for whatever reason not feel comfortable having your technician certify and sign this, the propane suppliers/marketers are a great resource to contact in regard to completing the OPD inspection. They should have trained staff onsite seeing they have to perform this same yearly inspection on the bobtail trucks that deliver propane to the end users.

The gentlemen from PERC also informed us that with the exception of the state of Texas he is not aware of any “license” required or even available to perform this inspection.

***SHOULD THE TAG BECOME DAMAGED
THEY CAN BE ORDERED THRU OUR
PARTS DEPARTMENT-
Part # DDL-2001R***

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