

Maricopa County Air Quality Department Rule 345 Clarifications
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Clarification #1:

Rule 345 (Motor Vehicle And Mobile Equipment Coating) includes two sections that include the same requirements – Section 302.5 (Operating Requirements-Storage And Disposal Of VOC And VOC-Containing Material) and Section 304 (Storage And Disposal Of VOC-Containing Material); however, in some instances the requirements in one section are more stringent than the requirements in the other section. Rule 345, Section 302.5 governs; it applies to all VOCs – not just VOCs related to sprayapplied coating operations. Rule 345, Section 304 should be deleted from Rule 345.

Clarification #2:

Rule 345, Section 303.3(b) (Manual Spray Gun Cleaning Requirements) requires compliance with three criteria; however, all three criteria are <u>not</u> required to be met in order to be in-compliance with the manual spray gun cleaning requirements. For the purposes of complying with Rule 345, all solvent used to manually clean spray guns shall be collected into a container which shall be immediately closed after all the solvent has been collected. Manual cleaning of spray guns shall comply with one of the following requirements:

- 1. Disassembled spray guns shall be cleaned by hand in a bucket or vat with non-mechanical, hand-held equipment including, but not limited to, paint brushes, hand rollers, caulking guns, trowels, spatulas, syringe daubers, rags, and sponges. For the purposes of this rule, brushes shall not be composed of porous materials such as wood or leather; or
- 2. Disassembled spray guns shall be cleaned with water or a solvent that is more than ½ water by weight or volume and calculated according to Section 503.3 of this rule.