**Section 218.784 Equipment Specifications**

Every owner or operator of a motor vehicle refinishing operation, unless the source uses less than 20 gallons of coating per calendar year from all motor vehicle refinishing operations combined, shall:

a) Coat motor vehicles, mobile equipment, or their parts and components using one of the following coating applicators:

1) Electrostatic spray equipment calibrated, operated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications;

2) High Volume Low Pressure (HVLP) spray equipment calibrated, operated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications; or

3) An equivalent coating applicator technology that is demonstrated by the manufacturer to achieve transfer efficiency comparable to the HVLP spray equipment technology listed in subsection (a)(2) of this Section for a comparable operation, and for which written approval has been obtained from USEPA. The owner or operator must maintain documentation of USEPA's approval at the motor vehicle refinishing operation; and

b) Clean all coating applicators with a device that:

1) Recirculates solvent during the cleaning process;

2) Collects spent solvent so it is available for disposal or recycling; and

3) Minimizes evaporation of solvents during cleaning, rinsing, draining, and storage.

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