



IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING OUTDOOR WOOD BOILERS

A revised state law regarding the sale, purchase, or installation of outdoor wood-fired hydronic heaters (commonly known as outdoor wood boilers) became effective on July 1, 2017. Specifically, the law, RSA 125-R:2, prohibits the sale, purchase, or installation of any residential outdoor wood boiler that is not certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). EPA-certified units are high efficiency, cleaner burning devices that will save the consumer money on wood. EPA maintains a list of certified outdoor wood boilers at <https://www.epa.gov/compliance/list-epa-certified-wood-stoves>.

For commercial units, only those outdoor wood boilers qualified by New York State's Energy Research Development Authority may be legally bought, sold, or purchased. The list of certified commercial units may be found at <https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/Renewable-Heat-NY/Advanced-Cordwood-Boiler>.

All outdoor wood boilers that have been legally installed in prior years are grandfathered by the new law and may remain in place; however, they cannot be relocated on the existing property or sold for reinstallation elsewhere. Pellet-fueled outdoor wood boilers are exempt from this law. Any outdoor wood boiler that has a heat input of 2 million Btu's per hour or greater requires a state permit to operate which must be obtained prior to installation of the unit.

RSA 125-R:2 may be found at <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/X/125-R/125-R-2.htm>. For more information, contact the NHDES Air Resources Division at (603) 271-1370.