CNG Compression, Storage, Dispensing

Disclaimer: This checklist is not intended to be a definitive or exhaustive listing of all statutes, safety rules, regulations or codes that may be applicable. It is intended as a general guideline for assisting licensees and stakeholders in complying with state statutes, the Commission's safety rules and adopted national and federal codes that are specific to a CNG COMPRESSION, STORAGE, DISPENSING installation. The officially published statute, rule or code shall prevail in the event of a conflict with those referenced in the checklist. The checklist may be used to verify compliance prior to placing a facility in service or for routine maintenance audits to ensure continued compliance with applicable safety requirements.

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Compression, Storage, Dispensing, Outdoors	13.94(a)
Cylinders charged and stored, located outdoors, fenced, and protected	13.94(c)
Electrical Transmission lines—6 feet	13.94(d)
FENCING	
Chain link type, minimum 12½ AWG	13.93(1)(A)
6 feet in height, or 5 feet with 3 strands of barbed wire	13.93(1)(B)
Uprights, braces, posts, noncombustible, if within 10 feet of ignition source or combustible material.	13.93(1)(C)
At least one gate suitable for ingress and egress. Locked when unattended.	13.93(1)(D)
2 feet between fence compression equipment, cascade, containers, dispensing equipment	13.93(1)(E)
More than 25 feet from dispenser—designated as perimeter fencing—may need guardrails	13.93(1)(F)
Completely enclosed by fencing	13.93(1)(G)
AUTOMATIC DISPENSER	
Secured to concrete anchor	13.93(a)(3)
6" above normal grade	13.93(a)(3)
2" above grade of other dispensers	13.93(a)(3)
Protected against vehicular damage	13.93(a)(3)
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Control devices installed so internal or external ice will not cause malfunction	13.93(b)
FIRE PROTECTION	
20 lb B-C	13.105
MAINTENANCE	
Cylinders, appurtenances, piping, equipment, controls, hoses, devices	13.106(a)
Fueling hose, cargo vehicle	13.106(b)
Pressure relief valves	13.106(c)
Handling of cylinders / PRV's and relief channels	13.106(d)
PIPING AND HOSES	
Piping and hoses installed adequately	13.99(a)
Underground piping—minimum 18" with exceptions	13.99(b)
Sufficient clearance from any other underground structure	13.99(b)(1)
Underground piping protected from corrosion	13.99(b)(2)
Uncoated threaded, or socket welded joints not in contact with soil	13.99(b)(3)
Use of hose is limited to vehicle fueling	13.99(c)(1)
Metallic reinforced hose (not to exceed 36") protected from mechanical damage, available for inspection	13.99(c)(2)
CYLINDER APPURTENANCES	
PRV's relieve to safe area	13.96(a)
PRV in transfer system	13.96(b)
Pressure regulators not affected by elements	13.97
Pressure gauges installed for compression discharge, storage pressure, fuel supply cylinder fill pressure	13.98
OPERATIONS	
Cylinders charged to correct pressure	13.104(a)
Settled pressure at or below working pressure	13.104(b)
CNG dispensing systems automatically stop fuel flow when fill pressure reached	13.104(c)
Engine stopped on motor vehicle during transfer to or from vehicle	13.104(d)
Transport—chock blocks	13.104(e)
Bleed connections to depressurize fuel line, bleed lines lead to safe point of discharge	13.104(f)
Device or equipment designed for CNG	13.104(g)
Sources of ignition 10 feet away during transfer operation	13.104(h)
Dispensers operated by properly trained individuals	13.104(i)
Consumer at automatic dispenser—written instructions	13.104(i)(1)
Step by step instructions posted at automatic dispenser, readily visible	13.104(i)(2)
Each person who operates dispenser (excluding automatic) has written instructions from licensee	3.104(i)(3)

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DISPENSER	
Dispenser complies with TX Department of Agriculture requirements	13.107
Fueling connection—reliable and secure	13.34(a)
Fueling connection prevents gas from escaping if connector not properly engaged or becomes separated	13.34(c)
AUTOMATIC DISPENSER	
Key, card or code system	13.93(d)(1)
All piping schedule 80, suitable for CNG	13.93(d)(3)
Cutoff valve—ensures valve is closed when dispenser is deactivated	13.93(d)(4)
Displacement of dispenser—displaces piping downstream side of device	13.93(d)(5)
Hose equipped with pullaway device	13.93(d)(6)
Electrical of dispenser and beneath complies with NEC Class 1, Group D, Division 2	13.93(d)(7)
Remote vapor discharge	13.93(8)(A)
Manual shut off	13.93(8)(B)
Uncoated threaded, or socket welded joints not in contact with soil	13.99(b)(3)
Use of hose is limited to vehicle fueling	13.99(c)(1)
EMERGENCY SHUTDOWN EQUIPMENT	
Manually operated cylinder valve on each cylinder	13.101(a)
Manually operated shutoff valve at manifold	13.101(b)
If excess flow check valve used-the closing flow is less than flow rating of the piping system	13.101(c)
Backflow check valve on fill line on storage cylinders	13.101(d)
Emergency shut down device(s) for compression and dispensing area. Located remotely, visible from dispensing area	13.101(e)
Emergency gas shutdown(s) distinctly marked	13.101(f)
Breakaway protection	13.101(g)
ELECTRICAL	
NEC for Class 1, Group D, Hazardous Locations, Division 2 area	13.102(a) T13.102(a)
Electrical equipment installed on internal combustion engines, for stationary installations	13.102(b)
STRAY-IMPRESSED CURRENTS-BONDING	
Stray or impressed currents used	13.103(a)