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### Marine Advisory: 33/2024

**Subject:** Expanded emissions regulations in California ports from 1 January 2025

**Reference:** (a) [California Air Resources Board \(CARB\) 2020 At-Berth Regulation](#)

**Dear Shipowner/Operator/Master:**

The purpose of this Marine Advisory is to inform Shipowners, Operators, and Masters that the 2020 CARB At-Berth Regulation will require tankers and Ro-Ro vessels to use a CARB Approved Emission Control Strategy (CAECS) while at berth in California ports starting from 1 January 2025.

Regulated emissions are nitrogen oxide (NOx), particulate matter 2.5 (PM 2.5) and reactive organic gases (ROG).

Compliance Start Date for Emission Control Requirements	Vessel Type
January 1, 2023	Container, reefer, cruise vessels (for visits to all regulated terminals)
January 1, 2025	Roll-on-roll-off vessels (for visits to all regulated terminals) Tanker vessels (for visits to regulated terminals at Port of Los Angeles or Port of Long Beach)
January 1, 2027	Tanker vessels (for visits to all regulated terminals)

Alternative compliance options include Vessel Incident Events (VIEs), Terminal Incident Events (TIEs), Innovative Concepts, and Remediation Fund. These options provide regulated entities a potential compliance pathway when emissions at berth are not reduced as required due to various circumstances, such as delays in installing emissions control equipment or an inability to connect to already installed equipment.

Visit reporting is required for all vessel types, regardless of whether a vessel or terminal has emissions control requirements. For all current list of approved emissions control strategies and pending test plans refer to [Approved Test Plans | California Air Resources Board](#).

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