

SMOKE SCHOOLS ARE BEING CONDUCTED NOW

Compliance Assurance Associates, Inc. (CAA) is conducting public smoke schools in many U.S. locations. CAA's smoke school procedures are adapted to comply with state and federal COVID-19 regulations.

If you don't see a location near you, smoke school locations can be serviced upon request. [Click here to view calendar.](#)

The CAA team is equipped and ready to safely serve your organization's opacity certification needs.

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SMOKE SCHOOLS AND COVID-19

- CAA's public smoke schools are being operated with a staggered small group model with 10 or fewer per group.
- Private smoke schools are being conducted per company and state requirements.
- Lecture sessions are being held online.
- CAA teams are driving to school locations (not flying) and sheltering in place between schools.
- The following precautions are being taken:
 - PPE and sanitation supplies are used by instructors
 - A sanitation station with wipes is set up
 - Social distancing is enforced
 - All materials (pens, etc.) are new and removed from packaging using gloves, and are kept by attendees
 - Attendees are asked to bring a clipboard
 - No printed certification cards are distributed
 - No sign-in sheets are used
 - Leftover materials are disposed of
- CAA team members are required to carry personal thermometers.

EPA COVID-19 NEWS RELEASES

The following are excerpts from EPA news releases regarding COVID-19 and regulated facilities. Your organization may have COVID-19 policies that affect your opacity certification procedures.

EPA MARCH 30, 2020 NEWS RELEASE (Visit web page at: <https://bit.ly/35laDF2>)

EPA expects regulated entities to comply with all obligations... and It is important to note EPA expects regulated facilities to comply with regulatory requirements, where reasonably practicable, ...

EPA MARCH 26, 2020 PRESS RELEASE (Visit web page at: <https://bit.ly/3bNp8no>)

The temporary policy makes it clear that EPA expects regulated facilities to comply with regulatory requirements, where reasonably practicable, ... To be eligible for enforcement discretion, the policy also requires facilities to document decisions made to prevent or mitigate noncompliance and demonstrate how the noncompliance was caused by the COVID-19 pandemic."

VISIT CAA's COVID-19 WEB PAGE: www.compliance-assurance.com/covid19.php