



Metal Fabrication and Finishing  
Area Source NESHAP (subpart XXXXXX)

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# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Area Source Rule (subpart XXXXXX)

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- Addresses 9 area source categories that include 12 SIC's
- “Listed” 112(k) HAP (**MFHAP**) are:
  - Cadmium (Cd) & compounds
  - Chromium (Cr) & compounds
  - Lead (Pb) compounds
  - Manganese (Mn) & compounds
  - Nickel (Ni) & compounds
- June 13, 2008 court-ordered promulgation



# 9 Metal Fabrication and Finishing Area Source Categories (12 SIC's)

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- Electrical and Electronic Equipment Finishing Operations
  - Electric Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies, NEC
  - Motors and Generators Manufacturing
- Fabricated Metal Products, NEC\*
- Fabricated Plate Work (Boiler Shops)
- Fabricated Structural Metal Manufacturing
- Heating Equipment, except Electric
- Industrial Machinery and Equipment: Finishing Operations
  - Construction Machinery Manufacturing
  - Oil and Gas Field Machinery Manufacturing
  - Pumps and Pumping Equipment Manufacturing
- Iron and Steel Forging
- Primary Metals Products Manufacturing
- Valves and Pipe Fittings, NEC

\* NEC = Not elsewhere classified.



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Area Source Rule (continued)

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- Five common metal HAP-emitting (**MFHAP**) processes:
  - Abrasive blasting
  - Dry grinding & polishing with machines
  - Machining/metalworking
  - Painting
  - Welding
- Regulated at process level across all source categories in one rule



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Basis for Combined Regulation

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- Processes appeared the same from one source category to another
- Information collected in visits to 13 facilities, 166 surveys, literature review, vendors, and from industry representatives



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Facility Size and Distribution

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- >90 percent of facilities small businesses
  - Estimated from 2002 Census
- 5,800 area sources
  - Estimated from 2002 Census and 2002 NEI major/area breakdown
- 73% urban
  - Estimated from surveys and 2002 NEI



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing GACT\* for Final Rule

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- Combination of equipment standards and management practices (MP's)
- Some operations are required to monitor visible emissions (Method 22) or opacity (Method 9)
- Unique feature of testing schedule - allows "time off for good behavior" by graduated frequency of testing from daily, to weekly, to monthly, to quarterly (D/W/M/Q), if no emissions observed (Methods 22 or 9)

\* Generally available control technology



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Operations

## 10 GACT Requirements

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### **(1) Abrasive Blasting**

- Small enclosed unvented blast chambers
- Products in chambers vented to control devices
- Products not enclosed
  - >8 feet in size, inside as well as outside

### **(2) Dry grinding & polishing (large stationary machines)**

### **(3) Machining**

### **(4) Spray-painting (of MFHAP)**

- Products in spray booths
- Products not in spray booths
  - >15 feet or at Fabricated Structural Metal facilities

### **(5) Welding**

- Welding rod use > 2,000 lb
- Welding rod use ≤ 2,000 lb





# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Operations NESHAP Requirements

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- Only applies to operations that use MFHAP above levels:
  - 0.1 percent Cd, Cr, Ni, Pb\*
  - 1.0 percent Mn\*
- From MSDS or other similar information provided by suppliers

\* As the metal on weight/weight basis



## Metal Fabrication and Finishing Operations NESHAP Applicability

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- Rule applies to any facility that falls into one of the 9 source categories
- Control requirements only apply to the 5 regulated operations
  - Only applies when using MFHAP at indicated levels



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT Abrasive Blasting Operations

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### **(1) Small totally-enclosed blast chambers**

- Good housekeeping management practices (MP's)
- No monitoring

### **(2) Products in chambers vented to control device**

- Enclosures and filtration (expect  $\geq 95\%$  control)
- Good housekeeping MP's
- No monitoring

### **(3) Products not vented to control device (both outside and inside)**

- Good housekeeping MP's
- VE monitoring (Method 22) in graduated schedule (D/W/M/Q)



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT – Dry Grinding & Polishing

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- Enclosures and filter devices
  - Control devices (expected 85% control)
  - Good housekeeping MP's
  - No monitoring
  
- Applies to large stationary machines only



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT - Machining

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- Management Practices (only)
  - No monitoring



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT – Spray Painting

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- **Products in Spray Booths (any size)**
  - PM filters in spray booths (98% control MFHAP)
  - HVLP spray gun use and training
  - Management Practices
  - Same as in Miscellaneous Coating Rule (subpart HHHHHH)
  
- **Products >15 feet or at Fabricated Structural Metal facilities**
  - HVLP spray gun use and training (only)
  - Management Practices



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT - Welding


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### **Two welding categories:**

- Use **<2,000 lb** welding rod or wire\*
  - MP's only
- Use **≥2,000 lb** welding rod or wire\*
  - MP's
  - Monitoring for visible emissions (VE) or opacity ≤20% in graduated schedule (D/W/M/Q)
  - 3-Tier compliance monitoring (*see next page*)

\* MFHAP-containing at levels 0.1/1% of metal.

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# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Welding $\geq 2000$ lb rod/wire -Monitoring

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## **3-Tier Welding Monitoring**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Tier
  - D/W/M/Q graduated VE testing (Method 22)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Trigger if fail second consecutive VE test
  - Must do opacity (Method 9) test in 24 hours
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tier
  - If  $>20\%$  opacity, Site-specific Welding Management Plan (SWMP) required
  - If  $\leq 20\%$  opacity in monthly Method 9, facility can switch to Method 22 (if desired)





# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Implementation Materials

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- Website location:
  - <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/area/arearules.html>
- Brochure
- One-page summary
- Flow charts
- Example Notification forms
- List of SIC/NAICS for applicability determinations



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing Appendices

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- Lists of management practices (MP)
- Estimate of source category size



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT – Welding MP's

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*As practicable to the type of welding/product, while maintaining required welding quality using sound engineering judgment*

- Use welding processes with reduced fume generation capabilities (*e.g.*, Gas metal arc welding (GMAW))
- Use welding process variations (*e.g.*, pulsed GMAW, which can reduce fume generation rates)
- Use welding filler metals, shielding gases, carrier gases, or other process materials which are capable of reduced welding fume generation
- Optimize welding process variables (*e.g.*, electrode diameter, voltage, amperage, welding angle, shield gas flow rate, travel speed) to reduce the amount of welding fume generated
- Use of fume capture and control system

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# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT – Welding MP's (continued)

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- MP's are to reduce fumes
  - Not all facilities and all products can use all MP's all the time to the same extent
  - Bottom line - the extent of fume control variable even within one facility



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT – Painting MP's

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- Store all materials in closed containers
- Minimize spills
- Convey paints in closed containers/pipes
- Cover mixing vessels except when in use
- Minimize emissions during cleaning



# Metal Fabrication and Finishing

## GACT – MP's for Blasting

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- Enclose abrasive material storage areas and holding bins; seal chutes and conveyors transporting abrasives
- If no control device:
  - Do not reuse blasting media unless contaminants have been removed and the blast media returns to its original size
  - Switch from high PM-emitting blast media (e.g., sand) to low PM-emitting blast media (e.g., crushed glass, specular hematite, steel shot, aluminum oxide), whenever practicable



## Metal Fabrication and Finishing GACT – MP's for All Processes

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- Minimize excess dust in surrounding areas, as practicable
  
- Operate all equipment associated with process according to manufacturer's instructions



## Metal Fabrication and Finishing: # Area Sources Based on 2002 Census

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○ Fabricated Structural Metal	1,988
○ Fabricated Metal Products NEC	1,313
○ Fabricated Plate	993
○ Electrical & Electronic Equipment	489
○ Industrial Machinery & Equipment	442
○ Heating Equipment	202
○ Iron and Steel Forging	195
○ Valves and Pipe Fittings	117
○ Primary Metal Products	71
<b>Total Estimated Area Sources</b>	<b>5,808</b>