

Preparing for Iowa's E15 Access Standard

Fuel Iowa member webinar

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Webinar Overview

- Overview of the E15 Access Standard
- Implementation resources
- Storage and dispenser requirements
- Waivers and exemptions
- Regulatory enforcement
- Voluntary compliance reporting
- Q&A



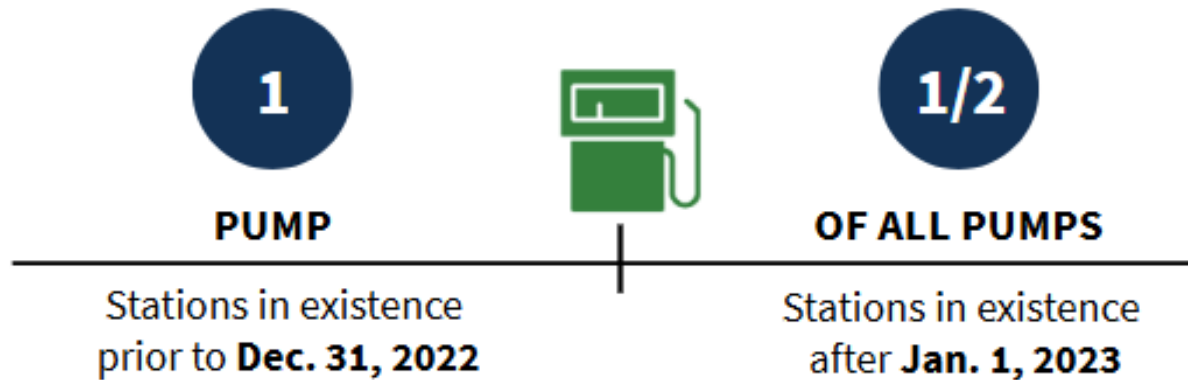
Iowa's E15 Access Standard

- In 2022, the Iowa Legislature passed the E15 Access Standard to ensure E15 is readily available to drivers at convenience stores and fuel retailers around the state.
- Details at iowaagriculture.gov/e15access.



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Regulatory requirements outlined in [Iowa Code 214A.31-37](#) and [Iowa Administrative Code 21-86](#)



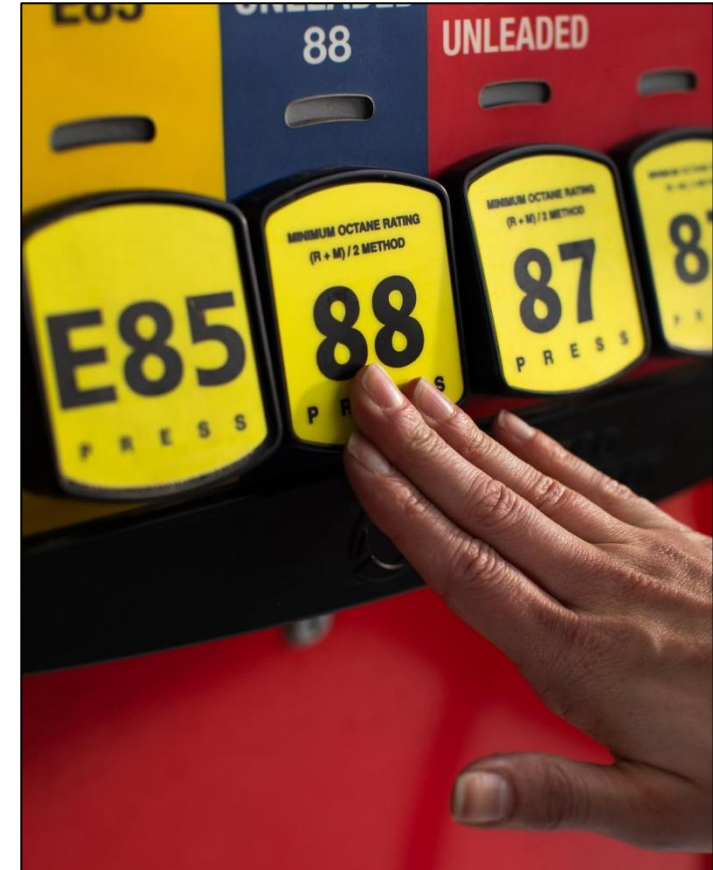
How to Get Started

Make plans now to bring your retail location into compliance with the E15 Access Standard



Implementation Resources

- State and federal cost-share programs
- **Renewable Fuels Infrastructure Program** (RFIP) – state funds to install, replace or convert fuel infrastructure to support E15
- About \$20 million available
- Apply at iowaagriculture.gov/IRFIP
- Email: renewablefuelgrants@iowaagriculture.gov



Storage and Dispenser Requirements



Waivers and Exemptions

- **Class 1 waiver** – Incompatible fuel storage tanks (based on age and material)
- **Class 2 waiver** – Cost to make fuel infrastructure compatible with E15 exceeds \$107,142
- **Small retailer exemption** – On average, sells less than 300,000 gallons of gasoline per year (benchmark years 2020-2022)



Regulatory Enforcement

The Iowa Legislature has authorized the Department to issue a civil penalty of **\$1,000 per day** to non-compliant, non-exempt fuel retailers beginning January 1, 2026.

Fuel licenses can also be suspended or revoked.



More resources available at
iowaagriculture.gov/e15access.

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Voluntary Compliance Reporting

- Planning a series of E15 Access Standard communications throughout 2025
- Voluntary compliance reporting:
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**Is Your Station
Compliant
with Iowa's
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