

## Ohio Revised Code Section 3739.04 Approval of alternative test method.

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(A) If a manufacturer manufactures a cigarette that the state fire marshal determines cannot be tested in accordance with division (B) of section 3739.03 of the Revised Code, the state fire marshal shall require the manufacturer to propose and submit a test method and performance standard for the cigarette to the state fire marshal for approval. If the state fire marshal determines that the test method and performance standard proposed by the manufacturer are equivalent to the test method and performance standard prescribed in division (B) of section 3739.03 of the Revised Code, the state fire marshal shall approve the proposed test method and performance standard, and the manufacturer may use that test method and performance standard to certify the cigarettes pursuant to section 3739.07 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the state fire marshal determines that another state has enacted reduced cigarette ignition propensity standards that include a test method and performance standard that are the same as those specified in section 3739.03 of the Revised Code and that the officials responsible for implementing those standards have determined that the alternative test method and performance standard for a particular cigarette proposed by the manufacturer under division (A) of this section satisfies the standards for that state's law or regulation under a statute or regulation that is comparable to this section, the state fire marshal shall authorize the manufacturer to use that alternative test method and performance standard to certify the manufacturer's cigarettes for sale in this state. The state fire marshal is not required to approve an alternative test method and performance standard approved in another state if the state fire marshal demonstrates a reasonable basis for why that alternative test method and performance standard should not be approved under this section.

All other applicable requirements of this chapter apply to a manufacturer authorized to use an alternative test method and performance standard under this section.