

ANNEX IV

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR MARKET FUELS TO BE USED FOR VEHICLES
EQUIPPED WITH COMPRESSION IGNITION ENGINES*Type: Diesel fuel*

Parameter	Unit	Limits ⁽¹⁾		Test	
		Minimum	Maximum	Method	Date of publication
Cetane number			—		
Density at 15 °C	kg/m ³		—		
Distillation: 95 % point	°C	—			
Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons	% m/m	—			
Sulphur content	mg/kg	—	50	pr. EN-ISO/ DIS 14596	1996 (*)

(*) The month of publication will be completed in due course.

(1) The values quoted in the specification are 'true values'. In the establishment of their limit values the terms of ISO 4259 'Petroleum products — Determination and application of precision data in relation to methods of test' have been applied and in fixing a minimum value, a minimum difference of 2R above zero has been taken into account (R = reproducibility). The results of individual measurements shall be interpreted on the basis of the criteria described in ISO 4259 (published in 1995).

Commission statements

Re Article 3(5) and Article 4(3)

When examining requests for derogations under Article 3(5) and Article 4(3), the Commission will verify whether the derogation is compatible with Community law, including competition law, taking account of the availability in the Community of sufficient quantities of fuels of a satisfactory quality.

Re the European Parliament's Amendment No 18

The Commission recognises the importance of fiscal incentive measures to encourage the use of improved fuels. It will take due account of this when implementing Council Directive 92/81/EEC and will ensure, within the limits of its powers, that the relevant provisions of that Directive are implemented rapidly.