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**Topic:** Gasoline Dispenser at a One-Family Dwelling

This document is to provide information regarding a portable gasoline dispenser with a pump, located and refilled at a one-family dwelling.

Chapter 23 of the 2015 International Fire Code (2015 IFC), “*Motor Fuel- Dispensing Facilities and Repair Garages*”, applies to automotive motor fuel-dispensing facilities, whether accessible to public or private operations (see Section 2301.1 “*Scope*”). Chapter 2 of the 2015 IFC defines an “*automotive motor fuel-dispensing facility*” as “*That portion of property where flammable or combustible liquids or gases used as motor fuel are stored and dispensed from fixed equipment into the fuel tanks of motor vehicles.*”

If the system being used at a one-family dwelling, or any other occupancy, is a portable tank, per the definition and scope noted above, Chapter 23 of the 2015 IFC does not apply, as the tank is not ‘*fixed*’. A portable tank is regulated by Chapter 57 of the 2015 IFC, “*Flammable and Combustible Liquids*”. Additionally, per Item # 1 of Section 5701.2 of the 2015 IFC, facilities regulated by Chapter 23 of the 2015 IFC are not covered by Chapter 57. Chapter 57 requires that any electrical wiring associated with the pump be in compliance with Section 605 of the 2015 IFC and NFPA 70. Chapter 57 also requires compliance with the fire protection provisions of Chapter 57 and the applicable sections of Chapter 9 of the 2015 IFC.

However, if the homeowner elects to install a home vehicle fueling system that is fixed, then Chapter 23 would apply, and Chapter 57 would not. The fueling system would be regulated as an unattended fueling facility as described in Section 2304.3 of the 2015 IFC.

In either case, the homeowner would also have to comply with the requirements found in Chapter 50, Hazardous Materials – General Provisions.

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<sup>1</sup> The “Code Effective Date” for this Technical Bulletin is October 31, 2017, which is the effective date of the current version of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (the Uniform Code).

<sup>2</sup> The 2015 International Fire Code (2015 IFC) is a publication incorporated by reference in 19 NYCRR Part 1225. The 2017 Uniform Code Supplement is a publication incorporated by reference in 19 NYCRR Parts 1219 through 1228. The 2015 IFC, as amended by the 2017 Uniform Code Supplement, is part of the Uniform Code.