

Regulations Regarding the Transport of Fuel in Jerry Cans



Marine Atlantic is responsible for the safe transport of fuel as per the Cargo, Fumigation and Tackle Regulations, Section 151 (1) (d) which states:

- (d) the vehicle is carrying, outside the fuel tank, no more than 25 L of the fuel needed to propel it and the fuel is in a means of containment that:
 - (i) is designed for the carriage of that type of fuel,
 - (ii) meets the requirements of the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations for the means of containment,
 - (iii) is secured within the vehicle, and
 - (iv) if a gaseous fuel is carried, is equipped with valves protected by valve caps.

For more information on the federal regulations, view the [Cargo, Fumigation and Tackle Regulations](#).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the safety procedures for a motor vehicle on the vessel?

The motor vehicle must be driven on and off the vessel. The fuel tank should not be so full that the fuel will spill on board because of an increase in volume from temperature changes. The ignition should be switched off and the parking brake must be applied.

Can I carry extra fuel outside the fuel tank?

Yes, you may carry a maximum of 25 litres per vehicle outside the fuel tank. Extra fuel must be stored in a CSA approved container that is properly secured in the vehicle.

What are the safety procedures for a recreational vehicle/trailer on the vessel?

The recreational vehicle (RV) must be driven on and off the vessel. If the RV carries liquefied petroleum gas or propane, you can carry a maximum of two tanks totaling no more than 65 litres. The gas must be approved for domestic use and the cylinder must be secured to the RV with the valve in the SHUT position.

Can I bring a portable barbeque with the recreational vehicle/trailer?

Yes, you may carry a portable barbeque and one propane cylinder with a maximum of 65 litres with a recreational vehicle or trailer. The cylinder must be secured with the valve in the SHUT position.

What are the safety procedures for transporting all-terrain vehicles, motorbikes, snowmobiles, or personal watercraft?

These units may be carried in the vehicle or trailer. Trailers must be attached to the motor vehicle and driven on/off the vessel. If you are using a trailer to transport these units, you are allowed to carry a maximum of two 25 litre containers of extra fuel.

Why does Marine Atlantic restrict the amount of extra fuel that can be carried on board?

These requirements are mandated by Transport Canada under the Cargo Fumigation and Tackle Regulations, Section 151.