



MALTA RESOURCES AUTHORITY

STATEMENT BY THE MALTA RESOURCES AUTHORITY

The Malta Resources Authority refers to recent statements regarding the quality of fuel. The Malta Resources Authority regularly carries out tests on fuels sold at the petroleum filling stations on the Maltese islands according to its obligations under the Legal Notice 44 of 2008. The fuels are tested to ensure that they meet the specifications MSA EN 228 for Petrol and MSA EN 590 for Diesel.

During 2010, 118 petroleum filling stations, were tested for sulphur according to Method ASTM D2622-08 and testing for FAME is to Method EN 14078. During the same year, regular tests were carried out for Unleaded Petrol, LRP and Diesel according to the specifications listed on the First and Second Schedule of the above mentioned Legal Notice. When complaints are received, the Authority makes the necessary investigation as part of its routine.

Legal action was instituted against four petroleum filling stations after samples were found to be out of specifications.

It is important to note that the importers of fuels, which are placed on the local market, are obliged to ensure that the imported fuels are according to the specifications.

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