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The Automotive Technician Accreditation (ATA) scheme is reminding employers and technicians that there is now less than one year to go before new European legislation regarding the handling of refrigerant gases comes into force in July 2010. **Ian Gillgrass**, Accreditation Manager at the IMI said: "This is an important piece of legislation that all technicians who handle refrigerant gases and the businesses that employ them need to be aware of. ATA is one of the DEFRA approved qualifications for meeting the new legislation. There are 16 ATA centres running the Air Conditioning course.