

Spain: Disa unable to expand its petrol station network in 2019

The independent operator exceeds the 30% market share established to limit business growth.



The operator Disa will not be able to increase the number of service stations for a year in Canary Islands - Lanzarote, Fuerteventura, La Palma, La Gomera and El Hierro - as well as in Ceuta and Melilla as it already holds a market share of 30%, informed Diario de Lanzarote.

Competition regulations in the hydrocarbons sector set this percentage as the threshold established to limit business growth, according to a resolution of the Boletín Oficial del Estado (BOE).

How is the market share calculated?

In order to calculate the percentage, it takes into account the annual sales of the previous year of the service stations included in the operator's distribution network, whether wholesale or operators of the

same business group, present in each province. In the case of the Canary Islands, Ceuta and Melilla, the calculation is made independently for each territory.