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THE IFTA NEWS

TAX RATE CHANGES

Listed below are the Tax Rate **Changes** for **2nd Quarter 2009**. Only those jurisdictions which have changes are listed, along with the fuel type that has changed. The deadline for changes was June 2 at midnight. (All rates are shown in US currency unless otherwise noted.)

			Gas	Diesel	Gasohol	Prop	LNG	CNG	Ethanol	Methanol	E85	M85	A55	BioD
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Plan ahead for upcoming IFTA events!

by Tammy Trinker Events Coordinator

ANNUAL IFTA BUSINESS MEETING

JULY 2009



WHEN ?

July 14 (Tuesday) Dispute Resolution Committee Meeting Industry Advisory Committee Meeting On-Site Check-In Reception

July 15 - 16 (Wednesday - Thursday) Business Meeting

WHERE ?

Fly in to

Manchester-Boston Regional Airport (MHT) Manchester, New Hampshire http://www.flymanchester.com

Ground Transportation

Hotel Shuttle (603) 625-1000

Taxis

\$10 - \$15 Estimate Fees Additional Passengers: \$3 per person

Reference airport website for list of *taxi* services and *rental* agencies with web page links.

Hotel

Radisson Hotel Manchester

700 Elm Street Manchester, NH

(800) 333-3333 (603) 206-4109 PAYMENT ?

Hotel Radisson Hotel Manchester

Reservations Deadline: June 24, 2009

Room Rate for Group State and local taxes \$94.00 8%

Meeting Registration Fees

Jurisdiction Non Voting Delegates\$320General Public / Private Sector\$380Exhibitors\$650

Advance payment

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On July 29-30, 2009 the "CONNECTICUT" Review will take place.

A special recognition and *"THANKS"* to those participating as team members:

Leri McClure (MI) Charles LeFew (VA)



Dispute Update

The June 2009 dispute docket has been posted to the IFTA, Inc. website.



The first comment period for the six (6) 2009 Full Track Preliminary Ballot Proposals has ended. The comments have been posted to the IFTA, Inc. website on the Ballot Summary page. <u>NOTE: These are the ballots and comments from the first comment period.</u>

After the first comment period, sponsors have a chance to revise their ballots prior to the Annual Business Meeting in Manchester, New Hampshire in July. Revisions have been made to Ballots 5 and 6. The ballots that will be discussed in Manchester have been posted to the IFTA, Inc. website on the Ballot page and also on the IFTA, Inc. website as part of the advanced materials for the 2009 Annual IFTA Business Meeting. Just click on the "Register Now" and you will be taken to the ABM page.

Managers' and Law Enforcement Seminar

As of this date, we are just three short months away from the September Managers' and Law
Enforcement Seminar. The Committees would like to encourage each IFTA Commissioner to send
at least one manager and one law enforcement person to the seminar which will be held in

↓ Durham, NC on September 9 – 11, 2009. This is the first time this seminar is being held out of 🖌

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the jurisdiction of Arizona since the two committees combined eight years ago.

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Ŷ 4 If you have new managers and law enforcement personnel in your shop this is one of the best A L learning experiences for those personnel. We have the IFTA 101 and the IFTA 201 that provides ¢ Ŷ a review of the Agreement and gives the individuals in attendance a chance to ask questions and **€** hear from other managers that have several year of experience in IFTA. We also have an agenda \$ \mathbf{A} filled with very informative general session topics with information that is "just good to know". Don't miss this opportunity to have your managers get to know and network with other managers \$ \mathbf{A} in various jurisdictions. Some of the most valuable learning experience comes for this time \$ \checkmark together! S

The Law Enforcement committee with be presenting information about what is going on in their
 jurisdiction at roadside and a special 1/2 day trip to an Inspection Station. Additionally, a report
 will be offered which reviews a multi-jurisdictional effort in law enforcement that happened in
 early 2009.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to join us at the 2009 Annual IFTA Business Meeting (ABM) in Manchester, New Hampshire.

As shown in our Meeting Spotlight on page 2, the meeting will be held July 15 and 16. At the request of the membership last year, we are holding the meeting on Wednesday and Thursday. This is the first time we have not held our meeting on Friday and Saturday. Don't forget that the Industry Advisory Committee will meet on the afternoon of the 14th. Our DRC is holding an all day meeting that day as well.

An updated agenda for the meeting has been posted on our website at www.iftach.org. Just click on "Register Now" under "2009 IFTA Annual Business Meeting". On the registration information page, you will now see the advance meeting materials for review prior to the meeting, including the updated agenda. The minutes of the 2008 ABM and the revised ballots and comments from the first comment period are available for you to download.

This meeting promises to be a very informative one. We are so looking forward to working with the New Hampshire Department of Safety to make this a great meeting for you.

I know that the economy certainly has been against us in our meeting efforts this year, but I've been watching the registration page and the numbers are going up everyday! Thanks to those of you already planning to attend, and we hope those of you that are waiting on your next fiscal year budget can join us too!

Take care, and I'll see you in Manchester! *Lonette*



IFTA AUDIT COMMITTEE AUDIT – The Anchor of IFTA

AUDIT COMMITTEE VACANCY

The IFTA Audit Committee consists of the Audit Chair, Ex Officio, Board liaisons, advisors and two jurisdictional representatives from each of five regions. Presently, we have a vacancy in the Northeast Region (CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI and VT). One of the seats is currently being held by a representative from the jurisdiction of New Hampshire. Please consider volunteering to become a part of this very active and viable Committee.

Vacancies may occur anytime during the year due to retirement, promotions, internal restructuring by jurisdictions, etc. so the Audit committee is currently recruiting to establish a list of names for future vacancies. For more information regarding the Committee and duties of its members, log onto the IFTA website at <u>www.iftach.org</u>; on the left, click on "Committees", on the next screen, click on "Audit Committee" and on the last screen click on "New Member Guide". If you have questions or are interested in submitting your name, please log in and go down to "Committee Volunteer Form" and click on "AC Volunteer Form" or simply contact me, AnnMarie Chamberlain, IFTA Audit Committee Chair at <u>chamberlaa@dor.state.ma.us</u>. All members of the IFTA Audit Committee must be approved by the IFTA, Inc. Board of Trustees.



Don't let the name of this committee scare you! This committee is not only made up of technically savvy folks but administrative as well. It is a well rounded group that is seeking additional jurisdiction members.

The committee is currently working on a charge from the IFTA, Inc. Board of Trustees regarding Electronic Positioning and Routing Technology .

If you are a jurisdiction, are interested in this topic and would like to get involved, please contact any committee member through the ITAC webpage which can be found at www.iftach.org, or contact Debora Meise at dmeise@iftach.org.

The ITAC has monthly conference calls (hosted by IFTA, Inc.) on the Second Thursday at 11:00 am Eastern.

We look forward to welcoming you to our committee!



Login Interface Updated!

When you login to IFTA, Inc. as member jurisdiction or for a standing committee, you might notice the look has changed a little. I have installed an update to make the software run smoother. You can still click on the blue bars to open or close them. However, if you're using FireFox as your web browser, the blue bars won't move and will stay locked in the open position.

Also, after you're logged into the IFTA, Inc. website you'll see on the green bar that it now says 'Logged In (Main Menu)' instead of 'Logged In'. This was added to assist you in returning to the Main Menu-login area.

Remember when you see a green bar that means you're logged into the website. Otherwise you'll just see a long blue bar which means you're not logged in.

IFTA Managers'/Law Enforcement Seminar

The pre-information packet is now posted on the website. The final registration packet and online registration will be posted on the IFTA, Inc. website on June 19th.

The Meeting Materials for the 2009 Annual Business Meeting can be now downloaded from the IFTA, Inc. website.

Meeting Minutes

The Meeting Minutes have been recently been updated for the following Committees:

- o Clearinghouse Advisory Committee
- 0 Board of Trustees

Clearinghouse Update

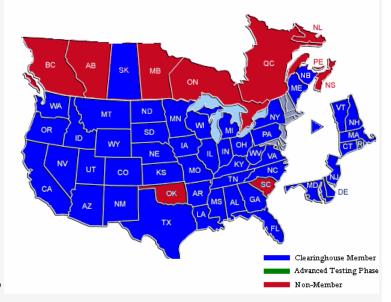
New Documentation

There is new documentation on www.iftach.org for you to look at, with a strong focus on the Funds Netting rules. Some of the changes include a revised User Manual including the Data Definitions. The transmittal definitions include a new reason code of 'U' for Uncollectible.

The fun doesn't stop there! The Funds Netting Rules and Calendar are now available. For the most part, all jurisdictions are submitting Transmittal Data on a timely basis. We will be contacting jurisdictions to inform them of the new calendar and what they will have to do to meet the monthly deadline if they are not currently doing so. We have also added Funds Netting Banking Information and Transmittal Period Requirements for Funds Netting.

Because the membership voted at last year's Annual Business Meeting to make the Clearinghouse Access Fee part of the membership dues, a new access agreement for nonparticipating members will be distributed soon for signature. Yes, that's right! Those jurisdictions currently not participating in the IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse (not uploading data) will now be granted read only rights to the data. The "read only" rights will include download of transmittal data for the non-participating members. This will save Participating members the cost of paper they typically send to those jurisdictions that are not currently participating. This will also give these jurisdictions a good idea on what they have been missing! This also means I will no longer be sending weekly Revoked Listings every Monday. As all jurisdictions will now have full access to the demographic data that would show revoked carriers. I will continue to send these out through July. But after that, we hope to have all jurisdictions connected to the IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse. We will also be contacting all the jurisdictions and pointing out any errors regarding the actual data that is being sent.

As a reminder Funds Netting starts January 2010. Now is the time to start looking closely at your data and making sure you are ready for funds netting.





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IFTA Managers' and Law Enforcement Seminar

SEPTEMBER 2009

WHEN ?

Sept. 8 (Tuesday) On-Site Check-In Planning Preparation Meeting

Sept. 9 - 11 (Wednesday - Friday) Seminar

WHERE ?

Fly in to

Raleigh/Durham International (RDU) RDU Airport, NC http://www.rdu.com/

Ground Transportation

Hotel Shuttle (919) 941-5050

Taxis

(919) 840-7277 \$3.50 Drop Charge \$4.45 for first mile \$1.95 for ea additional mile

Reservations and On-Demand Services Available

Hotel

Sheraton Imperial Hotel & Convention Center 4700 Emperor Boulevard Durham, NC 27703

> (800) 325-3535 (919) 941-5050

http://www.sheratonrtp.com

PAYMENT ?

Hotel Sheraton Imperial Hotel & Convention Center

Reservations Deadline: August 18, 2009

Room Rate for Group State and local taxes

\$97.00 12.75%

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LEC Chair Lt. Jennifer Brown

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FTA Southern Region Motor Fuel Meeting June 28-30, 2009 Savannah, Georgia

> SEATA Annual Meeting June 28—July 1, 2009 Biloxi, Mississippi

IFTA Annual Business Meeting July 15-16, 2009 * Manchester, New Hampshire

AAMVA Region I Conference July 16-21, 2009 Boston, Massachusetts

MSATA Annual Meeting— Cancelled August 16—18, 2009 See www.taxadmin.org for webinar details

> AAMVA Annual Int'l Conference August 23-26, 2009 San Diego, California

> > WSATA Annual Meeting September 8—11, 2009 Oahu, Hawaii

IFTA Managers'/Law Enforcement Seminar September 9-11, 2009 Durham, North Carolina

> IRP Annual Meeting September 11-14, 2009 Tucson, Arizona

NESTOA Annual Meeting September 13—16, 2009 Atlantic City, New Jersey

IRP, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting September 14, 2009 Tucson, Arizona

FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section Annual Meeting September 20-23, 2009 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting October 22-23, 2009 Chandler, Arizona





IRP, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting January 14-15, 2010 San Diego, California

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting January 28-29, 2010 Chandler, Arizona

IFTA Attorneys' Section Meeting February 1-2, 2010 San Antonio, Texas

IFTA/IRP Audit Workshop February 2-4, 2010 San Antonio, Texas

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting April 22-23, 2010 Chandler, Arizona

IRP Annual Meeting May 12-15, 2010 St. Louis, Missouri

FTA Annual Meeting June 6-9, 2010 Atlanta, Georgia

IFTA Managers'/Law Enforcement Seminar September 22-24, 2010 Mesa, Arizona

> IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting October 21-22, 2010 Chandler, Arizona

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