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THE IFTA NEWS

TAX RATE CHANGES

Listed below are the Tax Rate **Changes** for **4th Quarter 2011.** Only those jurisdictions which have changes are listed, along with the fuel type that has changed. The deadline for changes was Sept. 5 at midnight. (All rates are shown in US currency unless otherwise noted.)

	Gas	Diesel	Gasohol	Propane	LNG	CNG	Ethanol	Methanol	E85	M85	A55	BioD
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2012 BALLOT DEADLINE: Draft Timeline

March 27, 2012

Full Track Ballot Proposals

DATE	ACTION
Tuesday, March 27, 2012	Ballot Proposals Due to IFTA, Inc.
Tuesday, April 17, 2012	Ballot Proposals Distributed for First Comment Period
	(45 days)
Friday, June 01, 2012	First Comment Period Ends
Monday, June 18, 2012	Ballot Proposals and Comments Distributed for Review
Wednesday, July 18, 2012	Open Discussion on Ballot Proposals at the 2012
	Annual Business Meeting
Tuesday, September 04, 2012	Deadline for Sponsors to Submit Ballot Proposals for 2nd
	Comment Period
Tuesday, September 18, 2012	Ballot Proposals Distributed for 2nd Comment Period
	(45 days)
Friday, November 02, 2012	Second Comment Period Ends
Friday, November 16, 2012	Ballot Proposals Distributed for Vote
Tuesday, January 15, 2013	Voting Period Ends

Short Track Ballot Proposals

DATE	ACTION
Tuesday, March 27, 2012	Ballot Proposals Due to IFTA, Inc.
Tuesday, April 17, 2012	Ballot Proposals Distributed for First Comment Period
Thursday, May 17, 2012	First 30-Day Comment Period Ends
Monday, June 18, 2012	Ballot Proposals and Comments Distributed for Review
Wednesday, July 18, 2012	Open Discussion on Ballot Proposals at the 2012 Annual Business Meeting
Thursday, August 17, 2012	Deadline for Sponsors to Submit Ballot Proposals for 2 nd Comment Period
Tuesday, August 28, 2012	Ballot Proposals Distributed for 2 nd 30-Day Comment Period
Thursday, September 27, 2012	Second 30-Day Comment Period Ends
Friday, October 12, 2012	Ballot Proposals Distributed for Vote
Tuesday, November 13, 2012	Voting Period Ends



International Fuel Tax Association, Inc. Website Updates.....by Tom King

Commenting on Ballots

The Second Comment Period is now open for commenting on Full Track Ballots #1 and #2. You'll need to login to comment and have a level of 5 or higher. This year we have a counter that will show how many days are remaining for the comment period. This countdown will disappear after both ballots have comments from your jurisdiction. The deadline for commenting ends on November 4, 2011.

Decal Specifications

The color scheme of the Decal Specifications has been updated. IFTA, Inc. users with a Level 2 and higher can view them by clicking on the 'Decal Specifications' link.

Annual IFTA and IRP Audit Workshop

The 14th Annual IFTA and IRP Audit Workshop registration page is now posted on the IFTA, Inc. website. The registration dead is **December 3, 2011.**

Articles of Agreement

The Articles of Agreement has been updated and published on the IFTA, Inc. website. To locate it click on the Manuals page and it will be the first link on the top of the web page.



IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse Update

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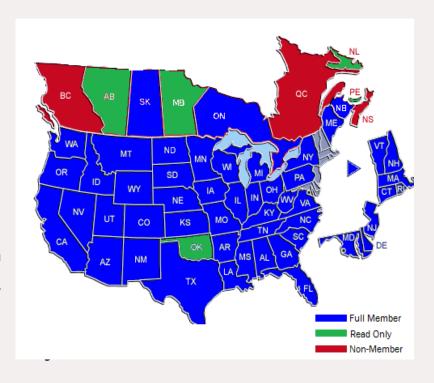
<u>Timely Demographic Updates</u> According to the IFTA Manuals all jurisdictions need to report their revoked carriers within 10 days. This may have been a good rule and procedure to have around 10 years ago, but we have moved well beyond paper into the realm of digital and near instantaneous information exchange.

The IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse is a repository of information that is used by varying agencies outside of the IFTA. Some of the revoked data is also shared with NLETS and many jurisdictions also share this data with roadside. In some cases, enforcement officers log into the Clearinghouse directly.

With that in mind, I think it's clear that the 10 day rule no longer applies in this digital world.

Most jurisdictions do a fine job of uploading daily Demographic data, and it's strongly encouraged that you update daily. If a Revoked carrier is listed on the Clearinghouse, subsequently is stopped, but that Carrier was re-instated 3 days prior, yet no update hit the Clearinghouse, you can see there would be problems.

Your upload to the Clearinghouse should be an automatic procedure which, once set, you should never or rarely have to touch. If you are sending files manually, look for automated solutions thru your IT Departments.





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IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting October 19-20, 2011 Chandler, Arizona



2012

IFTA/IRP Audit Workshop January 4-6, 2012 Tempe, Arizona

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting January 18-19, 2012 Chandler, Arizona

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting April 18-19, 2012 Chandler, Arizona

IRP Annual Business Meeting May 16-18, 2012 New Orleans, Louisiana

> FTA Annual Meeting June 17-19, 2012 Washington, DC

Annual IFTA Business Meeting July 18-19, 2012 Grand Rapids, Michigan

> IFTA Managers'/Law Enforcement Workshop September 12-14, 2012 Mesa, Arizona

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting October 17-18, 2012 Chandler, Arizona

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