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TAX RATES

Five jurisdictions revised their data for the tax rates for the 3Q13. Jurisdictions now have until **September 1** (Sunday) to verify or amend their tax rate data for this matrix. To view the current tax rate changes please visit:

<http://www.iftach.org/taxchangeq.php>

REMINDER!! Please keep your Tax Rate Contacts updated in your IFTA, Inc. profile on www.iftach.org to prevent emails being returned with a delivery failure notice. We want to be sure you receive these important notices.

THE IFTA, INC. STAFF

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Upcoming IFTA Meetings

IFTA, Inc. has been working with the Attorneys' Section Steering Committee to finalize a meeting to be held in the fall of this year. The committee has drafted a two-day agenda and IFTA, Inc. has procured hotel arrangements for those looking to attend this special event. A minimal registration fee will be required of all those in attendance.

Keep your eyes on THE IFTA NEWS and the IFTA, Inc. website for additional information, including a registration packet, to be released. The dates of this meeting have been set for September 24 – 25.

Working Groups at Work!

Kudos! to the Program Compliance Review sub-committee and the I-CAWG. Both groups held meetings at the IFTA, Inc. headquarters in Chandler, AZ this summer. Even with the sweltering record heat, both groups completed successful meetings.



Upcoming IFTA Program Compliance Reviews

Jurisdiction	Team Members
Mississippi (E) July 22-26, 2013	Eric Marshall (NH) Mike Tinch (IL)

2013 BALLOTS

FOR DISCUSSION AT THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

FTPBP 01-2013

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IFTA Agreement Procedures Committee
IFTA Program Compliance Review Committee

Manual Sections to be Amended:

IFTA Procedures Manual P700 Standard Tax Returns

Intent:

The intent of this ballot is to provide an update to the IFTA Procedures Manual to include the necessary requirements for filing an IFTA tax return, regardless of the manner filed. These elements are what are required to be present on the return even though they might not be captured from the licensee on each return.

FTPBP 02-2013

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Jurisdiction of Kansas
Jurisdiction of Alabama

Manual Sections to be Amended:

IFTA Articles of Agreement R245 - Qualified Motor Vehicle

Intent:

The intent of the ballot is to amend Section R245 of the IFTA Articles of Agreement to include the provisions of the Consensus Board Interpretation in the definition of Qualified Motor Vehicle.

This change is needed to prevent law enforcement officers from issuing IFTA citations to non-qualified vehicles because the officers are incorrectly including the axles of the trailing unit to determine if the vehicle is IFTA qualified. When questioned regarding the citation, these officers admit that they did not know about the CBI, or they refused to recognize that the CBI was binding.

The amended definition will provide necessary clarification to jurisdictions, law enforcement and licensees regarding the IFTA licensing requirements for qualified vehicles. The clarification will result in a reduction of IFTA citations being improperly issued to non-qualified motor vehicles. The clarification will also result in a reduction of licenses/decals issued to non-qualified vehicles which are forced to display IFTA credentials by law enforcement officers who are improperly citing these vehicles.

FTPBP 03-2013

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Manual Sections to be Amended:

IFTA Articles of Agreement
IFTA Procedures Manual
MEASUREMENTS

R200 DEFINITONS
P730 CONVERSION RATES AND

P1300 UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

Intent:

The intent of this ballot is to establish a standard conversion factor so compressed natural gas (CNG), when sold in gaseous volumes (e.g., cubic feet or cubic meters), can be converted to liquid volumes (e.g., gallons and liters) and accurately reported on the IFTA Tax Return.

The standard conversion factor being proposed is the IRS conversion factor of 126.67 cubic feet of natural gas to equal a gallon of gasoline.

FTPBP 05-2013

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IFTA Agreement Procedures Committee

Manual Sections to be Amended:

IFTA Articles of Agreement

R1555.400.015
R1650.200
R1650.400

R1555.400.020
R1650.300
R1655

Intent:

The intent of this ballot proposal is to eliminate an absentia vote means no. We also suggest a three-fourths of the total member jurisdictions casting votes be required for passage. Additionally, we suggest the repository no longer mail ballots via certified mail, but rather mail them electronically.

STPBP 06-2013

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Jurisdiction of Indiana

Manual Sections to be Amended:

IFTA Articles of Agreement

R645 Issuance of Electronic Credentials

Intent:

The intent of this ballot is to add a new provision to the IFTA Articles of Agreement that will bring the IFTA program up to date with current technology.

2013 IFTA/IRP Managers' and Law Enforcement



Workshop
October 23 – 25, 2013
Mesa, Arizona

Alternate Fuel/Natural Fuel Presentation

Best practices for informing Carriers-IRP

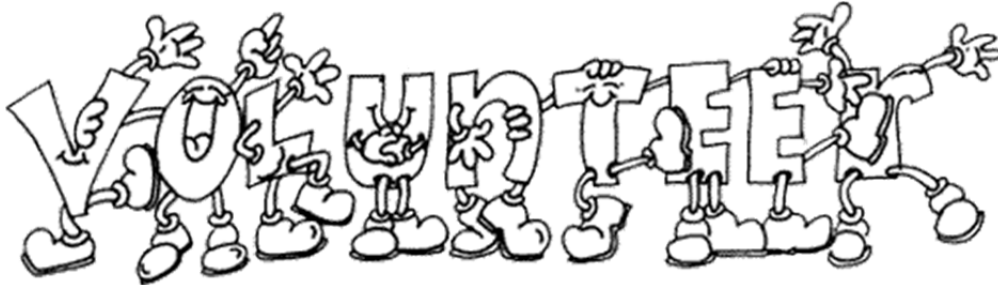
Industry Presentation-Electronic log books

Electronic GPS

Charles M. Mills Award of Excellence

And much more.... Make sure to send your representatives
to join in not for only the learning but for sharing your knowledge as well

Committee Volunteers Needed

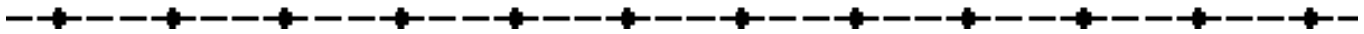


Law Enforcement Committee (LEC)

The IFTA Law Enforcement has openings on the committee. If you are interested in serving on the LEC, please contact any member of the committee. All contact information can be found on the IFTA, Inc. website at www.iftach.org under the Committees tab.

Agreement Procedures Committee (APC)

The IFTA Agreement Procedures has openings on the committee. If you are interested in serving on the APC, please contact any member of the committee. All contact information can be found on the IFTA, Inc. website at www.iftach.org under the Committees tab.



IFTA *Comings and Goings*

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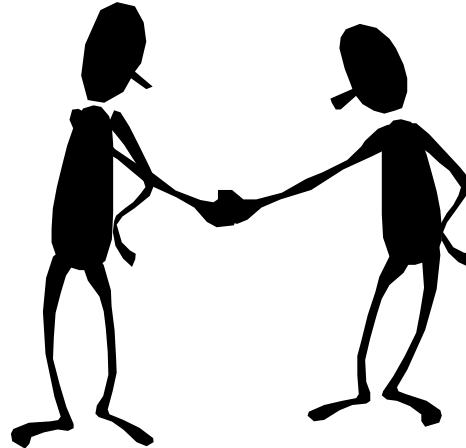
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North Dakota

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If your jurisdiction has had IFTA staff changes please let us know!

The following jurisdictions have updated the Jurisdiction Communication List (JCL) in some manner since *June 15, 2013*. Please visit their JCL on the secure website to ensure that you are working with the most current information for these jurisdictions:

**Louisiana
Montana
North Dakota**

IFTA, INC. WEBSITE

By: Tom King, webmaster (tking@oftach.org)

What's New?

The Articles of Agreement was last revised on 07/01/13.
CAC Meeting Minutes for April & May
DRC has a new Committee Charter

The Website is Growing Bigger!

When the IFTA, Inc. website went through its last major revision sometime back around 2006, most internet users were on CRT monitors. The average office had large 17 inch monitors and the website was designed around the resolution most people were using at the time.

Today most people have wide screen flat panel monitors and it's time for the web site to keep up with the times. The new website will no longer be justified on the left and will be centered on all monitors. It will also be 200 pixels wider and have some new graphics. Many pages had to be redesigned to adjust to these changes. These new changes will be coming soon!

IFTA, INC. CLEARINGHOUSE UPDATE

By: Jason DeGraf, Information Services Director (jdeggraf@iftach.org)

Signing Up Clearinghouse Users

Just a reminder, all users for the Clearinghouse need to be signed up on the www.iftach.org page using the Clearinghouse Registration link.

Your Jurisdiction Communication List (JCL) is also very important to keep updated. At IFTA, Inc. we use the JCL frequently for all kinds of communication to the jurisdictions. Including my automated messages from the Clearinghouse informing you of new transmittals that are posted and IARs that are newly uploaded to the Clearinghouse.



IFTA, Inc. does not update your JCL, the Jurisdiction is responsible for this.

Changes Upcoming

IFTA, Inc. will be moving to a new, faster ISP, in September. Stay tuned!

SAVE THE DATE!



2013

FTA Midwestern Region Meeting

July 9 – 11, 2013
Columbus, Ohio

Annual IFTA Business Meeting

August 21 – 22, 2013
Reno, Nevada

FTA Motor Fuel Uniformity Meeting

September 20 – 21, 2013
 Fargo, North Dakota

FTA Motor Fuel Annual Meeting

September 22 – 25, 2013
 Fargo, North Dakota

IFTA Attorneys' Section Meeting

September 24 – 25, 2013
 Chandler, Arizona

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting

October 21 – 22, 2013
 Chandler, Arizona

IFTA/IRP Managers' & Law Enforcement Workshop

October 23 – 25, 2013
 Mesa, Arizona

2014

AAMVA Winter Board of Directors Meeting

January 9 – 12, 2013
 San Diego, California

IFTA / IRP Audit Workshop

February 25-27, 2014
 Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

CVSA Workshop

April 8 – 10, 2014
 Location to be Announced

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting

April 29 – 30, 2014
 Chandler, Arizona

Annual IFTA Business Meeting

August 13 – 14, 2014
 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

AAMV Annual International Conference

August 25 – 27, 2014
 Dover, Delaware

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting

October 21 – 22, 2014
 Chandler, Arizona

