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Albany, New York

October 11, 2016

TO: All Enforcement Agencies

SUBJECT: IRP Update – Waivers for Carriers Providing Emergency Relief

In response to Hurricane Matthew, the Governor of Virginia has declared a State of Emergency. Temporary waivers of registration and licensing requirements and normal weight and width restrictions are in effect from October 6, 2016 through November 6, 2016 for shippers and carriers who are directly associated with emergency relief efforts. Under the authority of 49 CFR 390.23, carriers who participate in emergency relief efforts are relieved from compliance with 49 CFR 395 (hours of service regulations) to facilitate the movement of supplies to support emergency relief efforts and to ensure the continuation of essential services and supplies to residential and commercial establishments. If you have any questions, contact John Scrivani at (804) 786-4692.

Similarly, the Tennessee Department of Revenue has temporarily suspended the requirements of the International Registration Plan and International Fuel Tax Agreement for any motor vehicle engaged in interstate disaster relief efforts or traveling through the State of Tennessee as part of the disaster relief. The suspension is effective from October 7, 2016 through October 17, 2016. If you have any questions, contact Tennessee's Vehicle Services Division at (615) 532-1136.

A copy of each waiver is attached. Please share this information with appropriate staff. Thank you.

Theresa L. Egan
Executive Deputy Commissioner

Attachments



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Charles A. Kilpatrick, P.E.
Commissioner

October 6, 2016

TO: Affected Agencies and Shippers/Carriers

SUBJECT: Waiver for Carriers Transporting essential emergency relief supplies or providing emergency restoration of infrastructure services – Hurricane Matthew

Based on National Weather Service forecasts projecting impacts from Hurricane Mathew the Governor has declared a State of Emergency seeking relief for all carriers transporting essential emergency relief supplies, livestock or poultry, feed or other critical supplies for livestock or poultry, heating oil, motor fuels, and propane, or providing restoration of utilities (electricity, gas, telecommunications, water and wastewater) in and through areas of the Commonwealth in order to support disaster response and recovery to impacted areas.

As a result, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles authorizes a temporary waiver of registration and licensing requirements for carrier, and the Commissioner of Highways authorizes a temporary waiver of normal weight and width restrictions on Virginia roads for the express purpose of ensuring that emergency essential supplies and services reach impacted areas in timely manner. Weight exemptions are not valid on interstate highways unless there is an associated federal emergency declaration. At this time, there is an associated Presidential Declaration from Hurricane Matthew, DR-4280, that makes this waiver valid on interstate highways. This waiver is effective beginning 12AM October 6, 2016 until 12AM November 6, 2016 and includes an exemption, in coordination with the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, which activates the FMSCA Section 390.23 Relief of Regulations associated with hours of service. This waiver only pertains to statewide shippers and carriers directly associated with emergency relief / recovery efforts.

TRUCK TYPE	MAX G.V.W.	SINGLE AXLE	TANDEM AXLE	3 AXLE GROUP	4 AXLE GROUP
3 AXLES	60,000	24K	44K	54.5K	64.5K
4 AXLES	70,000	24K	44K	54.5K	64.5K
5+ AXLES	90,000	24K	44K	54.5K	64.5K
6+ AXLES	100,000	24K	44/k	54.5K	64.5K

Loads are restricted to a maximum of 12 feet wide provided they follow the hauling permit regulations and safety guidelines as published in the Virginia Hauling Permit Manual.

This information is for immediate dissemination to preclude inadvertent ticketing or detention. Multi-agency support and cooperation is appreciated. If there any questions, please contact Mr. John Scrivani at (804) 786-4692.

Sincerely,

John J. Scrivani
Safety, Security & Emergency Management Division Administrator

for

Charles A. Kilpatrick, P.E.



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RICHARD H. ROBERTS
Commissioner

To: Affected Agencies and Shippers/Carriers
From: Richard H. Roberts, Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Revenue
Date: October 7, 2016
Re: **Suspension of IRP and IFTA Requirements Due to Hurricane Matthew**

The Tennessee Department of Revenue recognizes that due to State of Emergency Declarations in the State of Florida and the State of South Carolina, and the potential for additional emergency declarations in other states as the result of Hurricane Matthew, it is necessary to assist and expedite all efforts of relief. In order to accommodate this need and provide assistance to the citizens of the states effected by Hurricane Matthew, the Tennessee Department of Revenue hereby grants a temporary suspension of the requirements associated with the International Registration Plan (IRP) and International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) for any motor vehicle engaged in interstate disaster relief efforts or traveling through the State of Tennessee as part of the disaster relief.

Nothing in this letter shall be construed to allow any vehicle to operate in the State of Tennessee without valid registration and insurance from its base state, nor shall anything in this letter be construed to allow any vehicle to exceed weight limits posted for bridges and like structures, nor shall anything in this letter be construed to relieve any vehicle or the carrier, owner, or driver of any vehicle from compliance with any restrictions other than those specified in this letter, or from any statute, rule, order or other legal requirement not specifically waived herein.

The suspension of IRP and IFTA requirements shall be in effect for the period beginning Friday, October 7, 2016, through Monday, October 17, 2016. If anyone has questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact the Tennessee Department of Revenue, Vehicle Services Division at (615) 532-1136.

Richard H. Roberts *by permission*
Richard H. Roberts, Commissioner
Tennessee Department of Revenue

Cc: Tennessee Department of Safety
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