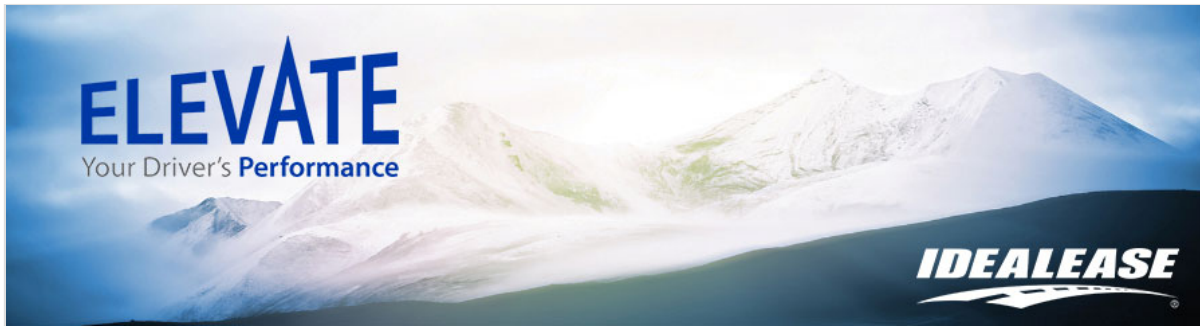


This Week: What is an Idle Shutdown Timer?

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Q: What is an *Idle Shutdown Timer*?

A: The *Idle Shutdown Timer* (also known as the *IST*) is a *vehicle parameter set by the service technician(s)*. Generally speaking, it is set most frequently at 5 minutes, but ranges from 5 to 15 minutes in most cases.

When the truck recognizes that it is in an idle state, the timer begins. Depending on the vehicle, a dash light may be triggered in the last 30 seconds- 1 minute to alert the driver the vehicle is about to shut off. Some vehicles have an audible alert as well.

If the driver is in the vehicle and sees these alerts, the driver can reset the *IST* by letting off and reapplying the brakes, or by simply pressing the accelerator ("gas pedal").

If no action is taken, the truck shuts itself off once the time limit is met.

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