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Breaking ELD News!

FMCSA releases ELD waiver
for agricultural industry:

Q: The FMCSA announced that it will be issuing a 90-day waiver from the ELD mandate for drivers in the agricultural industry, with the primary concern being livestock haulers. Will the waiver actually apply to virtually anyone involved in hauling agriculture-related cargo, including farm supplies as referenced in Sec. 395.1(k)?

ELD Countdown... 14 Days!

We are now exactly 14 days away from the implementation of phase two of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Electronic Logging Device (ELD) deadline on December 18th.

As we approach the deadline many of you have questions regarding the ELD regulation and how it will affect your company.

To find out information regarding the ELD register for our upcoming webinar on Wednesday December 6th:

<http://www2.idealease.com/e/36492/register-1700710678593261825/5f7y3m/605863244>

How Idealease will Support Your Compliance with the ELD Regulation While Operating our Rental or Lease Vehicles:

Idealease locations will present ELD solutions in the following manner:

- Rental personnel will review ELD Exceptions with the customer to determine if they are exempt from being required to utilize an ELD. Reasons for exemption include:
 - Drivers who have a rental vehicle for 8 days or less.
 - Drivers who use paper logs for not more than 8 days during any rolling 30-day period.
 - Drivers who conduct driveaway-towaway operations, where the vehicle is the product being delivered.
 - Drivers of vehicles manufactured before model year 2000 (due to vehicle connectivity concerns; this is a change from the proposed rule).
 - Drivers who operate using the logbook exception 22 days out of a rolling 30 day period.
- Idealease locations will allow customers to bring their own portable ELD kits to install on our rental units.
- Idealease customers will be allowed to bring their own smart devices and connect to existing telematic/ELD units already in the rental truck or Idealease locations will have portable ELD kits available for installation in the rental unit should the customer be subject to the ELD regulation.
- Idealease has Preferred ELD Suppliers that can keep customers in compliance with the ELD regulation requirements for leased and owned equipment.



A: No. The new waiver will only apply to the transportation of “agricultural commodities” as defined in Sec. 395.2 – including livestock – and will not extend to “farm supplies for agricultural purposes” or other commodities.

Throughout all phases of the ELD regulation, Idealease locations will be available to discuss your specific needs to keep you in compliance.

For more information on the FMCSA ELD mandate please visit:

<http://www2.idealease.com/e/36492/lds-electronic-logging-devices/5f7y3p/605863244>

ELD Exemptions

To determine if your driver meets ELD exemption #1 in the list below, ask yourself this series of questions:

1. Does my driver fill out paper log books today?

- If NO, NO ELD is required for this driver.
- If YES, does the driver fill out more than 8 days of paper log books in a rolling 30-day period?
- If NO, then NO ELD is required for this driver.

Say goodbye to paper logs



- If YES, then an ELD is required for this driver.

Exemptions

1. Drivers who have a rental vehicle for 8 days or less (FMCSA letter of exemption must be available to an officer upon request).
2. Drivers who use paper logs for not more than 8 days during any rolling 30-day period.
3. Drivers who conduct driveaway-towaway operations, where the vehicle is the product being delivered.
4. Drivers of vehicles manufactured before model year 2000 (due to vehicle connectivity concerns; this is a change from the proposed rule).
5. Drivers who operate using the logbook exception (i.e. short-haul 100 air mile CDL and 150 air miles Non-CDL drivers) and can comply to the exception 22 days out of a rolling 30 day period.
6. INTRAstste operations (Depending on your states timeline for adopting the ELD regulation).

ELD Questions of the Week:

Are Canada- and Mexico-domiciled drivers required to use Electronic Logging Devices (ELDs) when they are operating in the United States?

Yes. Canada- and Mexico-domiciled drivers must comply with the Federal hours of service ruled while operating in the United States. This includes using ELDs unless they qualify for one of the exceptions. A driver operating in multiple jurisdictions will be able to annotate the driver's record of duty status on the ELD with information on periods of operation outside the United States.

How should an ELD record a driver's hours of service when operating in another country such as Canada?

The ELD provider may tailor the device to its customers' needs/operations to assist them in accurately monitoring drivers' hours of service compliance. This includes cross-border operations.

Alcohol, Drivers and the Holidays!

Now is a good time to remind your drivers of the consequences of drinking during the Holiday season and what effect their actions can have on their CDL or operator's license and ultimately their employment with your company.

Advise your drivers to use caution when indulging in alcoholic beverages and have a designated driver to

not only protect their license and job but the motoring public.



The FMCSA regulations are specific that a CDL driver while operating any type of motor vehicle is convicted of being under the influence of alcohol as described by state law will be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for one year. A second conviction would disqualify the driver from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life.

When is Alcohol Use Prohibited?

Alcohol is a legal substance; therefore, the rules define specific prohibited alcohol-related conduct. Performance of safety-sensitive functions is prohibited:

- While using alcohol.
- While having a breath alcohol concentration of 0.04 percent or greater as indicated by an alcohol breath test.
- Within four hours after using alcohol.

In addition, refusing to submit to an alcohol test or using alcohol within eight hours after an accident or until tested (for drivers required to be tested) are prohibited.

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