

Manitoba IFTA Newsletter—1st Quarter 2020

<u>Manitoba Green Levy</u>

As announced in the 2020 Manitoba Budget, effective July 1, 2020, a green levy will apply to gas, liquid and solid fuel products used in Manitoba. For fuel products subject to fuel tax (i.e. diesel and gasoline), the new tax rate is the total of the fuel tax rate + the green levy rate.

The tax rate per litre for clear diesel will be 14.0¢ fuel tax + 6.74¢ green levy = **20.74**¢ per litre.

The tax rate per litre for clear gasoline will be 14.0ϕ fuel tax + 5.30ϕ green levy = 19.30ϕ per litre.

As additional information becomes available, it will be posted to our website.www.gov.mb.ca/finance/taxation/index.html

First Quarter Due Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020

To avoid penalties and interest, returns must be filed and any amount due must be paid by the above date.



Electronic Filing of IFTA Quarterly Tax Returns and Payments of Taxes Due

As announced in the 2019 Manitoba Budget, businesses will be required to file, remit and pay fuel taxes electronically using Manitoba's online tax system, **TAXcess**. This measure includes the filing **and** the payment of IFTA quarterly tax returns on **TAXcess**. This measure will commence in 2020.

Please see below for information on TAXcess and on how to sign up.

File, Pay and View Your IFTA Account on TAXcess

TAXcess, Manitoba's online tax service, allows businesses to access their accounts 24 hours a day, seven days a week in a secure, online environment. Once you sign up, you can securely file, pay and view your IFTA account online wherever and whenever you want.

FILE - You can file your IFTA quarterly tax returns online on **TAXcess**. When you enter the jurisdictions you travelled in, the fuel type used, total kilometres travelled and tax paid fuel purchased, the tax due or credit is calculated for you. You no longer have to enter tax rates or manually calculate fuel consumption rates.

PAY - You can pay any tax owing by electronic, pre-authorized payment (PAD). This allows you to file and pay IFTA through the **TAXcess** website in one continuous process. Additionally, you can make a payment through your own financial institution's online bill payment system. *Please note:* licence and decal fees cannot be paid through **TAXcess**.

VIEW - You can view your IFTA account online, such as your IFTA Statement of Account, cover page for IFTA tax returns and IFTA licences. You can also view all Web Notices (e-mails) sent and received.

To begin the sign up process, click *Sign Up Now for TAXcess* on the **TAXcess** home page at manitoba.ca/TAXcess

Please note that once you sign up for **TAXcess**, you will no longer receive a paper IFTA return.



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IFTA Decals—Important Information

The proper placement of IFTA decals will help you avoid costly delays on the road.

- Manitoba Taxation and the IFTA Law Enforcement Committee require that valid IFTA decals are affixed on the exterior portion of both sides of the cab.
- Do not place IFTA decals on windows, mirrors, tanks or vents.
- Do not use a pressure washer directly on the decals.
- Please remove all expired or non-valid decals from your vehicle.

For IFTA Decal Placement Guide go to: www.gov.mb.ca/finance/taxation/motor.html

IFTA Credentials Processing

Our goal is to respond to your IFTA credentials requests in a timely manner. Once the completed application form with payment (if applicable) is received and approved, we will process your request and forward to you as required by mail, fax or e-mail within the following response times:

Initial IFTA Registration - seven (7) to ten (10) business days. Renewal of IFTA Credentials - ten (10) business days. Additional Decals - one (1) business day Temporary Decal Permit - one (1) business day

For urgent requests, contact us at 204-945-6444.

In person requests at our Winnipeg and Brandon offices during business hours will be completed within one (1) hour. Response times may vary if any tax accounts are not in good standing.

ELECTRONIC IMAGE OF IFTA LICENCE

Motor carriers can choose to carry their IFTA licence in electronic or paper format in their vehicles.

If you choose to maintain an electronic format of your IFTA licence, it is strongly recommended that the licence is saved as a file such as PDF and saved to an electronic device for each vehicle. This approach enables you to have access to your IFTA licence at any time, even when access to mobile and/or wireless service may be interrupted.

If you are signed up for TAXcess, your IFTA licence can be viewed under the Letters tab. Your IFTA licence will already be in PDF format. It can be printed or e-mailed as needed or saved to an electronic device. There is no need to contact our office for copies or a PDF format.

Regardless of the format (either electronic or paper), your IFTA licence must be accurate, valid, legible and be accessible on demand when requested by enforcement personnel. If you are unable to provide acceptable proof of credentials, you may be charged and required to purchase a permit to complete your trip.

Office Closures

April 10, 2020 (Good Friday) April 13, 2020 (Easter Monday) May 18, 2020 (Victoria Day) July 1, 2020 (Canada Day)

MB Travel Only

Travelling in Manitoba only?

Please check the box "No Travel Outside of MB" in Section 1 and complete Section 2, even if you did not travel at all during the quarter.

Need Information → Go Online

www.iftach.org - Complete listing of tax rates and footnotes for all IFTA jurisdictions. You can also print or view the Agreement, ballot proposals, carrier contact lists and read the IFTA News.

www.gov.mb.ca/finance/taxation/motor.html

Find here the carrier manual, newsletters, bulletins, notices, and the IFTA Worksheet (Page 2) and instructions.

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