



Important Notice

December 2018

**New International Fuel Tax Agreement
Credentials Required for 2019**

Attention: Law enforcement agencies
District attorneys
Municipal officers
State, county, town, and village justices and magistrates

All 2018 International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) licenses and decals will expire on December 31, 2018. New IFTA licenses and decals for 2019 were issued beginning November 1, 2018, and may be used immediately. 2019 IFTA decals will be blue with white lettering.

To provide ample opportunity for motor carriers to acquire their 2019 IFTA licenses and properly display their 2019 IFTA decals, motor carriers may continue to use the 2018 IFTA licenses and display the 2018 IFTA decals until February 28, 2019.

However, as of **March 1, 2019**, motor carriers **must**:

- have obtained their new 2019 IFTA licenses and decals,
- carry a paper original, paper copy or electronic image of the 2019 IFTA license in the qualified motor vehicle at all times,
- have removed all 2018 IFTA decals from their vehicles, and
- display the 2019 IFTA decals on all qualified motor vehicles.

Beginning January 1, 2019, law enforcement agencies and other officials must accept electronic images of IFTA licenses, (in addition to paper originals or paper copies) when presented by motor carriers.

Motor carriers operating qualified motor vehicles without a current IFTA license or without valid IFTA decals are in violation of the Tax Law. Motor carriers may be issued a citation for a traffic infraction and be required to pay a fine. See Tax Law §§ 1815(a)(1)(A)(ii), 1815(a)(2), and 1815(a)(3) for more information.

Trip permits are not affected: The requirement to obtain 2019 IFTA licenses and decals does not affect New York State fuel use tax trip permits. Trip permits are valid for the period shown on the permit.

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