



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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**NOTICE OF EMERGENCY EXEMPTION FROM HOURS OF SERVICE OF
DRIVERS**

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) §14-163c and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §14-163c-10, the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles Sibongile Magubane, through her designee, has granted a limited exemption from the provisions of 49 CFR Part 395 governing Hours of Service of Drivers specifically for the **intrastate** transportation of diesel fuel, heating oil, kerosene, propane and gasoline in connection with emergency conditions resulting from tropical storm Isaias. **The emergency exemption is effective beginning August 5, 2020 at 12:00 a.m.**

This emergency exemption relieves motor carriers from compliance with the Maximum Driving Time Regulations contained in 49 CFR §395.3 and adopted through CGS §14-163c only while providing direct assistance through the delivery of diesel fuel, heating oil, kerosene, propane and gasoline to Connecticut homes and businesses during the emergency. Direct assistance terminates when a driver or commercial motor vehicle is used in intrastate or interstate commerce to transport cargo not destined for the emergency relief effort or when the carrier dispatches such driver to another location to begin operations in commerce.

Nothing contained in this notice shall be construed as an exemption from the Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use and Testing Regulations (49 CFR Part 382), the Commercial Driver's License Regulations (49 CFR Part 383), the Minimum Levels of Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers (49 CFR Part 387) and applicable size and weight requirements or any other portion of the statutes or regulations not specifically identified herein.

Motor Carriers that have an Out-of-Service Order in effect cannot take advantage of the relief from the regulations that this declaration provides under CGS §14-163c and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §14-163c-10. Motor carriers that have any suspension or revocation of registration privileges under CGS §14-35a or §14-215 cannot take advantage of relief from regulations.

No motor carrier operating under this notice shall require or permit a fatigued or ill driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle. A driver who informs a motor carrier that he or she needs immediate rest shall be given at least ten consecutive hours off-duty before the driver is allowed to return to service.

Drivers of motor carriers that operate under the Notice of Emergency Exemption must have a copy of it in their possession.

Consistent with CGS §14-163c and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §14-163c-10, this emergency exemption will remain in effect until **August 19, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. EST** or until sooner terminated by the Commissioner or her designee.

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Date