



# ***IFTA Newsletter***

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## **Attention Motor Carriers**

Effective **October 1, 2011**, the North Carolina Department of Revenue will discontinue mailing the IFTA quarterly tax return, instructions, tax rates, and newsletter. These documents will be available online at [www.dornc.com/downloads/ifta.html](http://www.dornc.com/downloads/ifta.html).

## **North Carolina Department of Revenue Identification Number (NCDOR ID)**



The North Carolina Department of Revenue is implementing a new Tax Information Management System (TIMS) in July 2011. TIMS is designed to manage all tax schedules administered by the Department of Revenue under one computer system. With this innovation in technology, we are transforming our core processes to more efficiently serve the citizens of North Carolina.

As a part of the transition to this new system, we will eliminate the need for most customers to have different account numbers for each tax schedule they may file with the Department. Currently, customers having an International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) license and/or Intrastate Motor Carrier license are assigned a number beginning with "89". With the implementation of this new computer system, most customers will be assigned one unique NCDOR ID that will be used for corresponding, reporting, and paying all taxes administered by the North Carolina Department of Revenue. By maintaining all customer accounts on one computer system and with one identification number, we can more efficiently process returns, payments, and refunds as well as provide more effective assistance to our customers who write or call for information. Please pay particular attention to the account number that appears on documents and the web application for notification of the NCDOR ID(s) assigned to you.

This new system will be phased in over a period of time as information is transferred from our current tax systems to TIMS. As this transition occurs, customers who file electronically will notice the identification number change when they log into the IFTA/Intrastate web application. Customers who receive tax returns will receive a 3rd quarter 2011 form with the NCDOR ID pre-printed on the return.

## **Updates to Online Filing:**

Updates will be made to the IFTA/Intrastate Online Filing system in preparation for TIMS. Most of the changes involve the display of the NCDOR ID; however, two changes affect previous credits and paper check payments.

- The Previous Credit screen has been removed since all overpayments \$3.00 or more will be automatically refunded. Overpayments less than \$3.00 must be requested in writing to the Department.
- The screen to print a payment voucher has also been removed. Effective January 1, 2011, all payments are required to be made electronically when the return is electronically filed.

## **IFTA E-File Mandate**

The 2009 General Assembly enacted legislation authorizing the Secretary of Revenue to mandate electronic filing of IFTA returns. The mandate is based on the number of decals issued during the previous registration year and has been implemented in phases. The next phase of implementation affects the following taxpayers.

- Businesses that were issued 5 or more decals during the previous registration period will be required to file electronically beginning with the third quarter 2011 IFTA return.
- Businesses that were issued 3 or more decals during the previous registration period will be required to file electronically beginning with the fourth quarter 2011 IFTA return.

To file the IFTA return electronically, access the online system at [www.dornrc.com/electronic/ifta.html](http://www.dornrc.com/electronic/ifta.html). An access code is required to initially set up your online account. Please contact the Excise Tax Division if you no longer have the access code letter previously sent to you or if you need assistance setting up your online account.

There are provisions in place to consider requests to waive this requirement when a filer is unable to comply with the electronic filing mandate. All waivers must have approval from the Division and must be approved annually. Please submit a letter detailing the reason for your waiver request to NC Department of Revenue, Excise Tax Division, PO Box 25000, Raleigh, NC 27610. Attention: Carren Bowling.

Please contact the Division with any questions: Toll Free: 877-308-9092  
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## **Filing Due Dates for IFTA Returns**

### **1st Quarter - Due May 2, 2011**

- January
- February
- March

### **2nd Quarter – Due August 1, 2011**

- April
- May
- June

### **3rd Quarter – Due October 31, 2011**

- July
- August
- September

### **4th Quarter – January 31, 2012**

- October
- November
- December



## **NCDOR Motor Fuels Tax Division has a new name – Excise Tax Division**

Effective May 2, 2011, the North Carolina Department of Revenue has a new Division named Excise Tax Division. The Excise Tax Division has four tax sections: Motor Fuels, Privilege, Alcohol, and Tobacco taxes.

## **Power of Attorney (POA)**

A POA is required of all persons conducting business on behalf of a Motor Fuels taxpayer. Download Form Gen. 58 at [www.dornrc.com](http://www.dornrc.com). Select Tax Forms/ More/ General Forms



## **Holidays**

Our offices will be closed.



Monday – July 4, 2011  
**Independence Day**



Monday - September 5, 2011  
**Labor Day**