



Idealease Safety Bulletin

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FMCSA is adamant that new HOS regulation changes will be effective July 1, 2013.

Despite receiving requests from a bipartisan group of seven lawmakers in transportation oversight roles, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration will not delay the July 1 effective date of the latest changes to its hours-of-service rule, FMCSA Administrator Anne Ferro said here Friday.

Ferro reiterated the benefits she said FMCSA projected for the rule, telling reporters that delaying it would postpone those benefits.

“The hours-of-service rule has tangible safety benefits in reducing ... cumulative fatigue,” she said. “And it’s a very important rule to move forward on.”

The lawmakers, who lead the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and transportation appropriations committees in both chambers of Congress, asked that the rule be delayed until three months after the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit decides its fate.



A federal appeals court heard arguments last Friday on the HOS regulation and has yet to rule, but Ferro warned that could be a long wait.

We are at a point now where if you have not started to train your drivers on the changes that will take place on July 1, 2013 you need to start now.

34 Hour Restart Change:

- Restart limited to once per week
- The rule Restart must include 2 night periods between 1:00-5:00 a.m.

30 Minute Break after 8 hours:

- No driving if more than 8 hours since last break of 30 or more minutes
- The final rule requires that if more than 8 consecutive hours on duty have passed since the last off-duty (or sleeper-berth) period of at least half an hour, a driver must take an off-duty or sleeper berth break of at least 30 minutes before driving. To address an issue raised by commenter’s, FMCSA has also added an exception for drivers of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) carrying Division 1.1, 1.2, or 1.3 explosives to allow them to count on-duty time spent attending the CMV, but doing no other on-duty work, toward the break.

For further detail regarding these changes go to:

<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rules-regulations/topics/hos/qanda.aspx>

Are you prepared for the upcoming Roadcheck North America 2013 June 4-6?

Roadcheck is the largest targeted enforcement program on commercial vehicles in the world, with approximately 14 trucks or buses being inspected, on average, every minute from Canada to Mexico during a 72-hour period June 4-6. Approximately 8,522 CVSA-certified inspectors at 1,850 locations across North America will perform the truck and bus inspections. CVSA sponsors Roadcheck with participation by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators, Transport Canada, and the Secretariat of Communications and Transportation (Mexico). Roadcheck is one of a series of activities that occur year round whereby CVSA certified inspectors conduct compliance, enforcement and educational initiatives targeted at various elements of motor carrier, vehicle, driver and cargo safety and security.



Registration is now open on line for the 2013 Idealease/NPTC Safety Seminars

Idealease, its affiliates and the National Private Truck Council NPTC will again be hosting safety seminars in 2013. The one day seminars this year will focus on basic safety and compliance, regulation changes and CSA. The seminars and will be provided to all Idealease customers, potential customers and NPTC members at no charge. The seminar provides important information applicable for both the novice and experienced transportation professionals. To view the schedule and register for an upcoming seminar in 2013 click on the following link:

www.Idealease.com/safety



2013 Idealease/Safety Seminar Schedule

2-Apr: Hyattsville, MD

3-Apr: Baltimore, MD

4-Apr: Harrisburg, PA

9-Apr: Milwaukee, WI

10-Apr: Fort Wayne, IN

11-Apr: Green Bay, WI

11-Apr: Grand Rapids, MI

17-Apr: Sacramento, CA

18-Apr: San Leandro, CA

18-Apr: Orlando, FL

23-Apr: Altoona, IA

24-Apr: Oklahoma City, OK

25-Apr: Chattanooga, TN

25-Apr: Dallas, TX

8-May: Denver, CO

9-May: Mississauga, Ontario