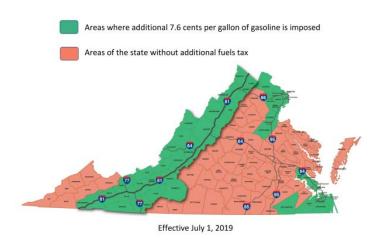


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Last Chance to Register for Fuels Tax Compliance Seminars



On July 1 fuels taxes will increase by 7.6 cpg for gasoline and 7.7 cpg for diesel in 37 Western Virginia jurisdictions that border Interstate 81. In preparation for this major change we will be holding seminars next week to educate the membership on steps they must take to be in compliance with the law. Joining us at each of the seminars will be DMV experts that administer the fuels tax program on a daily basis. In attendance will be Scott Cummings, Deputy DMV Commissioner and CFO, Director of Tax Services Tammy West and Gabriel Boisvert, Deputy Director of Tax Services. They will brief members on registration and remission requirements you will need to have in place by July 1 and to answer specific questions you may have.

Locations and times are as follows:

Monday, June 10th, 2:00 pm SW VA Higher Education Center 1 Partnership Circle Abingdon, VA 24210

Tuesday, June 11th, 8:30 am Blue Ridge Hotel & Conference Center 2801 Hershberger Rd. Roanoke, VA 24017

Tuesday, June 11th, 2:30 pm Hotel Madison, Shenandoah Valley Conf. Center 710 S. Main St. Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Wednesday, June 12th, 8:30 am Hilton Garden Inn Winchester 120 Wingate Drive Winchester, VA 22601

There is no charge to attend these seminars, but attendance is limited to the first 100 registrations per location. To guarantee your attendance, email elizabeth@vpcma.com with names of those attending and location.

Changes in State Law End State Labeling Requirements for Retail Motor Fuel

From Joel Maddux, Deputy Director Office of Consumer Protection, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

On July 1, 2019, new labeling requirements for retail motor fuel will take effect. The General Assembly has adopted labeling requirements as outlined in the National Institute of Standards and Technology's Handbook 130. This means that the previous labeling requirements outlined in the Virginia Motor Fuels and Lubricating Oils Law, Section 59.1-167.1 will no longer be effective. The main changes from this new law are that retail establishments will no longer need to label their fuels with an exact percentage of ethanol. Handbook 130 requires automotive gasoline or automotive gasoline-oxygenate blends containing one or more percent oxygenate (up to 10) shall be identified as "with" or "containing". (see Handbook 130, Uniform Fuels and Automotive Lubricant Regulation, Section 3.2.4) It also defers to the EPA/FDA labeling requirements for gasoline containing greater than 10 percent up to 15 percent and flex fuels. It also means that alternative fuels such as CNG or ethanol flex fuels

will not be required to post an "octane rating" but an automotive fuel rating as prescribed in 16 CFR 306. Common labeling requirements such as trade name, grade name and type of product are still required. Virginia already adopts most of the other sections of Handbook 130. We hope by adhering to the national labeling standards outlined in Handbook 130, we will reduce some of the burden to businesses that had to adhere to the antiquated labeling requirements of the previous version of Virginia Code Section 59.1-167.1. Click here for a copy of Section 3 of the Uniform Fuels and Automotive Lubricants Regulation in Handbook 130 (highlighted portion).

Save The Date

VPCMA 71st Annual Meeting September 21-24, 2019 Nemacolin Woodlands Resort Farmington, PA

Registration will open in July.