

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**Miscellaneous Tax****RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:**

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Part III, Aviation Fuel, Chapter 206, F.S., is repealed by section 27, Ch. 2025-208, L.O.F., effective January 1, 2026. The purpose of the proposed amendments to Chapter 12B-5, F.A.C (Tax on Motor Fuels, Diesel Fuels, Aviation Fuels, Pollutants, and Natural Gas Fuel), is to: (1) remove provisions for the tax on aviation fuel; (2) update the electronic fuel tax return electronic filing requirements to provide the comma delimited and flat file requirements for local governmental units; and (3) remove redundant and unnecessary provisions.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendments to Rule Chapter 12B-5, F.A.C (Tax on Motor Fuels, Diesel Fuels, Aviation Fuels, Pollutants, and Natural Gas Fuel): (1) remove provisions for aviation fuel tax effective January 1, 2026; (2) update how to obtain copies of forms from the Department, removing redundant and unnecessary provisions; (3) provide the requirements for electronic fuel tax returns for local government users of diesel fuel and mass transit system providers, adopting file format specifications; (4) adopt clarifications to forms used to obtain annual fuel tax licenses, including the removal of provisions to obtain an aviation fuel

tax license; and (5) clarify the application used to annually renew a fuel or pollutants tax license.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: 1) no requirement for the Statement of Economic Regulatory Costs (SERC) was triggered under Section 120.541(1), F.S.; and 2) based on past experiences regarding rules of this nature, the adverse impact or regulatory cost, if any, do not exceed nor would exceed any one of the economic analysis criteria in a SERC, as set forth in Section 120.541(2)(a), F.S.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 206.14(1), 206.485(1), 206.59(1), 206.62(10), 206.87(1)(e)2., 206.97, 213.06(1), 213.755(8) FS.

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IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW (IF NOT REQUESTED, THIS HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD):

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, November 4, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 2450 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Building One, Room 1221, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Tonya Fulford at (850)717-6799. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida

Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Martha Gregory, Office of Technical Assistance, Department of Revenue, P.O. Box 7443, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-7443, telephone (850)717-6041, email RuleComments@floridarevenue.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

12B-5.020 Definitions; Specific Exemptions.

(1) Definitions.

(a) through (i) No change.

(j) "Sales to United States Government" means the sale of motor fuel and, undyed diesel fuel ~~and aviation fuel~~ to the United States or the federal government, its departments or agencies, and to contract flying schools which train cadets for the United States Air Force under contract whereby the United States reimburses the school for the fuel so used.

(k) No change.

(2) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2026

Rulemaking Authority 206.14(1), 206.59(1), 206.62(10), 206.87(1)(e)2., 213.06(1) FS. Law Implemented 206.41(4)(b), 206.62, 206.874, 206.97 FS. History—New 7-1-96, Amended 11-21-96, 10-27-98, 5-1-06, 6-1-09, 1-17-13, 1-20-14, 1-1-24, 1-1-26.

12B-5.030 Importers.

(1) General Information.

(a) Persons who import either gasoline, gasohol, or diesel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ into Florida, by common or private carrier, upon which Florida tax has not been charged or collected, and persons who import and place fuel in storage outside a terminal registered under s. 4101 of the Internal Revenue Code must obtain a license as a Importer.

(b) through (c) No change.

(2) Licensing and Bonding.

(a) No change

(b) Bonding.

1. Prior to conducting business in this state, an importer will file with the department a single bond equivalent to 60 days tax liability on motor fuel; and diesel fuel; ~~and aviation fuel~~.

2. An importer's bond shall be maintained in an amount sufficient to secure payment of 60 days of tax liability on motor fuel; or diesel fuel; ~~or aviation fuel~~ transported into Florida.

3. If an importer has not provided a bond sufficient to secure 60 days tax liability prior to importing motor fuel; or diesel fuel; ~~or aviation fuel~~, such importer is prohibited from importing any unsecured fuel into Florida ~~this State~~.

4. ~~Forms DR 600 and DR 654 may be obtained from the Department by: 1) calling the Department at (850)488-6800,~~

~~Monday through Friday, (excluding holidays); or, 2) visiting any local Department of Revenue Service Center. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Florida Relay Service at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).~~

~~4.5.~~ No change.

(3) Returns and Payments.

(a) Returns. Licensed importers of gasoline, gasohol, or diesel fuel; ~~or aviation fuel~~ are required to report all taxes imposed by Chapter 206, F.S., on a Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309632, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), as provided in subsection (5) of Rule 12B-5.060, F.A.C.

(b) No change.

(4) No change.

(5) Import Authorization Numbers.

(a)1. Before any fuel may be imported into Florida upon which Florida tax has not been charged or collected, an importer must first call the Department of Revenue at 1(800)360-5436, and obtain an import authorization number.

2. No change.

3. An import authorization number will be denied when an importer has not provided a bond sufficient to secure 60 days tax liability prior to the importation of motor fuel; or diesel fuel; ~~or aviation fuel~~ into this state.

(b) No change.

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12B-5.040 Carriers.

(1) Licensing.

(a) No change.

(b) 1. To obtain an annual license, every person must file a Florida Fuel or Pollutants Tax Application (Form DR-156, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), with the required attachments, with the Department, as provided in the application, and enroll in the Department's eServices.

2. through 3. No change.

4. ~~Form DR 654 may be obtained from the Department by: 1) calling the Department at (850)488-6800, Monday through Friday, (excluding holidays); or, 2) visiting any local Department of Revenue Service Center. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Florida Relay Service at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).~~

(c) No change.

(2) Information Returns. Carriers are required to file ~~f~~Form DR-309637, Petroleum Carrier Information Return (incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), using the Department's eServices website by manually entering data or importing comma-delimited (CSV) or fixed-length text (flat) files as provided in Motor Fuel Taxes Comma Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications – Wholesaler/Importer, Exporter, Blender, and Petroleum Carrier Fuel Tax Returns (form DR-309653, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) electronically with the Department, as provided in Rule Chapter 12-24, F.A.C. The electronic return must be filed on or before the 20th day of each month for the activity during the previous month. To be timely, the electronic return must be received by the Department or its agent before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), on or before the 20th day of each month. For carriers who are authorized to submit ~~f~~Form DR-309637 by hard copy, the return will be accepted as timely if postmarked or delivered to the Department on or before the 20th day of each month. If the 20th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, returns will be accepted as timely if an electronic return is received by the Department or its agent on or before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), or a hard copy ~~hard-copy~~ return, when permitted, is postmarked or delivered to the Department on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. For the purpose of this rule, a legal holiday means a holiday that is observed by federal or state agencies as a legal holiday as this term is defined in Chapter 683, F.S., and s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A "legal holiday" pursuant to s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, means a legal holiday in the District of Columbia or a statewide legal holiday at a location outside the District of Columbia but within an internal revenue district.

(3) No change.

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12B-5.050 Terminal Suppliers.

(1) General Information.

(a) Persons who import either gasoline, gasohol, or diesel fuel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ into Florida by marine vessel, rail, or pipeline, and who place the fuel in storage at a terminal which is registered under s. 4101 of the Internal Revenue Code must obtain a terminal supplier license.

(b) No change.

(c)1. Terminal suppliers are authorized to import tax-free gasoline, gasohol, or diesel fuel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ place such fuel in storage at a terminal, and to collect the state excise tax,

county fuel tax, municipal fuel tax, and fuel sales taxes as the fuel is removed through the loading rack.

2. through 3. No change.

(d) No change.

(2) Licensing and Bonding.

(a) No change.

1. through 4. No change.

~~5. Forms DR-600 and DR-654 may be obtained from the Department by: 1) calling the Department at (850)488-6800, Monday through Friday, (excluding holidays); or, 2) visiting any local Department of Revenue Service Center. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Florida Relay Service at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).~~

6. through 8. renumbered to 5. through 7.

(b) Bonding.

1. Prior to becoming licensed, each new terminal supplier applicant must submit, to the Department, a bond which equals 3 times the estimated average monthly fuel tax levied under Chapter 206, F.S., for each type of fuel that will be sold, but such bond will not exceed a maximum of \$300,000 for each product type (motor fuel, and diesel fuel, ~~and aviation fuel~~).

2. A terminal supplier that has filed bonds of less than \$300,000 for each product type (motor fuel, and diesel fuel, ~~and aviation fuel~~) will be notified by the Department when its liability increases to an amount that requires an increase in its bond.

(3) through (4) No change.

(5) Returns and Payments.

(a) Returns. All terminal suppliers that sell gasoline, gasohol, or diesel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ are required to report all taxes imposed by Chapter 206, F.S., on a Terminal Supplier Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309631, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), electronically with the Department, as provided in Rule Chapter 12-24, F.A.C. The electronic return must be submitted by Extensible Markup Language (XML), as provided in the Motor and Other Fuel Taxes XML User Guide for e-file Developers and Transmitters (~~f~~Form DR-309652, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.). The electronic return must be filed on or before the 20th day of each month for transactions occurring during the previous month. To be timely, the electronic return must be received by the Department or its agent before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), on or before the 20th day of each month. For terminal suppliers who are authorized to submit ~~f~~Form DR-309631 by hard copy, the return will be accepted as timely if postmarked or delivered to the Department on or before the 20th day of each month. If the 20th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, returns will be accepted as timely if an electronic return is received by the Department or its agent on or before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), or a hard-copy return, when permitted, is postmarked or

delivered to the Department on the next succeeding day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. For the purpose of this rule, a legal holiday means a holiday which is observed by federal or state agencies as this term is defined in Chapter 683, F.S., and s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A “legal holiday” pursuant to s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, means a legal holiday in the District of Columbia or a statewide legal holiday at a location outside the District of Columbia but within an internal revenue district.

(b) through (c) No change.

(6) No change.

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12B-5.060 Wholesalers.

(1) No change.

(2) Licensing and Bonding.

(a) No change.

(b)1. Each wholesaler that is licensed pursuant to Section 206.02, F.S., will be required to furnish a bond to the Department in a sum of not more than \$300,000, for each product type (motor fuel; and diesel fuel; ~~and aviation fuel~~).

2. through 3. No change.

~~4. The tax rate for calculating the wholesaler's bond on aviation fuel will be the tax imposed under Section 206.9825, F.S. (Excise Tax)~~

~~4.5.~~ A wholesaler who has no import or export activity and is authorized to remit the taxes imposed by Chapter 206, F.S., to its supplier by electronic funds transfer (EFT) will file a bond with the Department for each product type (motor fuel; and diesel fuel; ~~and aviation fuel~~) based on the estimated average monthly gallons to be purchased, multiplied by the total of the taxes imposed under Section 206.41, F.S. (for motor fuel); and Section 206.87, F.S. (for diesel fuel); ~~and Section 206.9825, F.S. (for aviation fuel)~~, and that sum multiplied by three.

~~5.6.~~ No change.

~~6.7.~~ No change.

~~7.8.~~ A wholesaler who only imports fuel into this State is required to post a bond with the Department for each product type (motor fuel; and diesel fuel; ~~and aviation fuel~~) based on the estimated average monthly gallons imported multiplied by the total of the taxes imposed under Sections 206.41, F.S. (for motor fuel); and 206.87, F.S. (for diesel fuel); ~~and 206.9825, F.S. (for aviation fuel)~~ and that sum, multiplied by two.

~~8.9.~~ No change.

(c) A person who is licensed as a wholesaler and an importer will file bonds as follows:

1. The wholesaler bond will be the estimated average monthly gallons to be purchased, multiplied by the taxes imposed under Sections 206.41, F.S. (for motor fuel) and, 206.87, F.S. (for diesel fuel); ~~and 206.9825, F.S. (for aviation fuel)~~ and that sum multiplied by three.

2. The importer bond shall be maintained in a sufficient amount to secure payment of tax on motor fuel; and diesel fuel; ~~and aviation fuel~~ for 60 days of imports.

3. If an importer does not maintain sufficient bond prior to importation of motor fuel; and diesel fuel; ~~and aviation fuel~~, an import authorization number will be denied and such person will be prohibited from importing untaxed fuel into Florida ~~this state~~.

4. No change.

(3) through (4) No change.

(5) Returns and Payments.

(a) Returns. All wholesalers who sell gasoline, gasohol, or diesel; ~~or aviation fuel~~ are required to report all taxes imposed by Chapter 206, F.S., on a Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return (~~Form~~ DR-309632, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), using the Department's eServices website by manually entering data or importing comma-delimited (CSV) or fixed-length text (flat) files as provided in Motor Fuel Taxes Comma Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications – Wholesaler/Importer, Exporter, Blender, and Petroleum Carrier Fuel Tax Returns (form DR-309653, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) electronically with the Department, ~~as provided in Rule Chapter 12-24, F.A.C.~~ The electronic return must be filed on or before the 20th day of each month for transactions occurring during the previous month. To be timely, the electronic return must be received by the Department or its agent before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), on or before the 20th day of each month. For wholesalers who are authorized to submit ~~Form~~ DR-309632 by hard copy, the return will be accepted as timely if postmarked or delivered to the Department on or before the 20th day of each month. If the 20th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, returns will be accepted as timely if an electronic return is received by the Department or its agent on or before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), or a hard-copy return, when permitted, is postmarked or delivered to the Department on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. For the purpose of this rule, a legal holiday means a holiday that is observed by federal or state agencies as this term is defined in Chapter 683, F.S., and s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A “legal holiday” pursuant to s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, means a legal holiday in the District of Columbia or a statewide legal holiday at a location outside the District of Columbia but within an internal revenue district.

(b) through (c) No change.

(6) No change.

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12B-5.070 Terminal Operators.

(1) Licensing.

(a) No change.

(b)1. To obtain an annual license as a terminal operator, a person must file a Florida Fuel or Pollutants Tax Application (Form DR-156, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), with the required attachments, with the Department, as provided in the application, and enroll in the Department's eServices.

2. through 3. No change.

~~4. Forms DR-600 and DR-654 may be obtained from the Department by: 1) calling the Department at (850)488-6800, Monday through Friday, (excluding holidays); or, 2) visiting any local Department of Revenue Service Center. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Florida Relay Service at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).~~

(c) No change.

(2) No change.

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12B-5.080 Exporters.

(1) No change.

(2) Licensing and Bonding.

(a) No change.

(b)1. To obtain an annual license as an exporter, a person must file a Florida Fuel or Pollutants Tax Application (Form DR-156, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), with the required attachments, with the Department, as provided in the application, and enroll in the Department's eServices.

2. through 3. No change.

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~~Service at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).~~

~~4.5. No change.~~

(c) Bonding.

1. No change.

2. An exporter, who is also bonded as a wholesaler, will obtain a bond which will be the difference between the wholesaler bond and the \$300,000 maximum bond for motor fuel, and diesel fuel, ~~and aviation fuel.~~

(3) Returns and Payments.

(a) Returns.

1. Licensed exporters of gasoline, gasohol, or diesel fuel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ are required to report all gallons of fuel exported from Florida on an Exporter Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309638, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.). Licensed exporters that are also licensed as wholesalers are required to report their export sales on a Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309632, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.).

2. Form DR-309638, Exporter Tax Return, and ~~f~~Form DR-309632, Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return, as applicable, using the Department's eServices website by manually entering data or importing comma-delimited (CSV) or fixed-length text (flat) files as provided in Motor Fuel Taxes Comma Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications – Wholesaler/Importer, Exporter, Blender, and Petroleum Carrier Fuel Tax Returns (form DR-309653, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) electronically with the Department, as provided in Rule Chapter 12-24, F.A.C. The electronic returns must be filed on or before the 20th day of the month following a month in which export transactions occur. To be timely, the electronic return must be received by the Department or its agent before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), on or before the 20th day of each month. For exporters who are authorized to submit ~~f~~Form DR-309638 or ~~f~~Form DR-309632 by hard copy, the return will be accepted as timely if postmarked or delivered to the Department on or before the 20th day of each month. If the 20th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, returns will be accepted as timely if an electronic return is received by the Department or its agent on or before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), or a hard copy ~~hard copy~~ return, when permitted, is postmarked or delivered to the Department on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. For the purpose of this rule, a legal holiday means a holiday that is observed by federal or state agencies as this term is defined in Chapter 683, F.S., and s. 7503, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A "legal holiday" pursuant to s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, means a legal holiday in the District of Columbia or a statewide legal holiday at a location outside the District of Columbia but within an internal revenue district.

(b) No change.

(4) through (6) No change.

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12B-5.090 Local Government Users of Diesel Fuel.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) No change.

(a) Returns. Local Government Users are required to file a Local Government User of Diesel Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309634, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), using the Department's eServices website by manually entering data or importing comma-delimited (CSV) or fixed-length text (flat) files as provided in Motor Fuel Taxes Comma Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications – Mass Transit System Providers and Local Government Users of Diesel Fuel Tax Returns (form DR-309654, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.). The return must be filed with the Department on or before the 20th day of each month following the month in which the use of fuel occurs. The return, when filed by hard copy, will be accepted as timely if postmarked or delivered to the Department on or before the 20th day of each month. An electronic return must be received by the Department or its agent before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), on or before the 20th day of each month. If the 20th day of the month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, returns will be accepted as timely if an electronic return is received by the Department or its agent on or before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), or a hard copy ~~hard-copy~~ return is postmarked or delivered to the Department on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. For the purpose of this rule, a legal holiday means a holiday that is observed by federal or state agencies as this term is defined in Chapter 683, F.S., and s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A "legal holiday" pursuant to s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, means a legal holiday in the District of Columbia or a statewide legal holiday at a location outside the District of Columbia but within an internal revenue district.

(b) No change.

(4) No change.

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12B-5.100 Mass Transit Systems.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Returns and Payments.

(a) Returns. Mass Transit Systems are required to file a Mass Transit System Provider Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309633, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) using the Department's eServices website by manually entering data or importing comma-delimited (CSV) or fixed-length text (flat) files as provided in Motor Fuel Taxes Comma Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications – Mass Transit System Providers and Local Government Users of Diesel Fuel Tax Returns (form DR-309654, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.). The return must be filed and ~~remitted~~ the tax due must be remitted on or before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the use of fuel occurs. The return, when filed by hard copy, will be accepted as timely if postmarked or delivered to the Department on or before the 20th day of each month. An electronic return must be received by the Department or its agent before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), on or before the 20th day of each month. If the 20th day of the month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, returns will be accepted as timely if an electronic return is received by the Department or its agent on or before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), or a hard copy ~~hard-copy~~ return, is postmarked or delivered to the Department on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. For the purpose of this rule, a legal holiday means a holiday that is observed by federal or state agencies as this term is defined in Chapter 683, F.S., and s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A "legal holiday" pursuant to s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, means a legal holiday in the District of Columbia or a statewide legal holiday at a location outside the District of Columbia but within an internal revenue district.

(b) No change.

(4) No change.

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12B-5.110 Blenders.

(1) General Information.

(a) Any person who is not otherwise licensed under Chapter 206, F.S., and who is engaged in the activity of blending gasoline, gasohol, or diesel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ with any other product, where end products may be used to propel a vehicle, or vessel, or aircraft, must be licensed as a blender.

(b) All persons who are licensed as terminal suppliers, wholesalers, or exporters under Chapter 206, F.S., and who are

engaged in the activity of blending gasoline, gasohol, or diesel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ with any other product, must remit tax on all untaxed products which are blended, where end products are available for sale or use.

(2) Licensing.

(a)1. To obtain a license as a blender, every person must file a Florida Fuel or Pollutants Tax Application (Form DR-156, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), with the required attachments, with the Department, as provided in the application, and enroll in the Department's eServices.

2. through 3. No change.

~~4. Forms DR-600 and DR-654 may be obtained from the Department by: 1) calling the Department at (850)488-6800, Monday through Friday, (excluding holidays); or, 2) visiting any local Department of Revenue Service Center. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Florida Relay Service at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).~~

(b) A blender is a person who blends:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Kerosene with other product to produce a product suitable for use in a diesel ~~or aircraft~~ engine;

4. Motor or, diesel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ with any other product to extend the volume of such fuels available for sale or use.

(3) Returns and Payments.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Returns. Any person who is licensed as a blender is required to file a Blender/Wholesaler of Alternative Fuel Tax Return (~~Form~~ DR-309635, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), using the Department's eServices website by manually entering data or importing comma-delimited (CSV) or fixed-length text (flat) files as provided in Motor Fuel Taxes Comma Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications – Wholesaler/Importer, Exporter, Blender, and Petroleum Carrier Fuel Tax Returns (form DR-309653, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) electronically with the Department, as provided in Rule Chapter 12-24, F.A.C. The electronic return must be filed on or before the 20th day of the month following a month in which transactions occur. To be timely, the electronic return must be received by the Department or its agent before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), on or before the 20th day of each month. For blenders who are authorized to submit ~~Form~~ DR-309635 by hard copy, the return will be accepted as timely if postmarked or delivered to the Department on or before the 20th day of each month. If the 20th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, returns will be accepted as timely if an electronic return is received by the Department or its agent on or before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), or a hard copy ~~hard copy~~ return, when permitted, is postmarked or delivered to the Department on the next succeeding day which is not a

Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. For the purpose of this rule, a legal holiday means a holiday that is observed by federal or state agencies as this term is defined in Chapter 683, F.S., and s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A "legal holiday" pursuant to s. 7503 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, means a legal holiday in the District of Columbia or a statewide legal holiday at a location outside the District of Columbia but within an internal revenue district.

(d) No change.

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12B-5.121 Temporary Licenses Issued Under a Declared Emergency.

(1) No change.

(2) Licensing.

(a) No change.

(b) To obtain the temporary Florida fuel license, the person engaging temporarily in business as an importer, exporter, or carrier must file a Florida Temporary Fuel Tax License Application (~~Form~~ DR-156T, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) with the Department, as provided in the application. A copy of the completed ~~Form~~ DR-156T is to be scanned and emailed or faxed to the phone number indicated in the application, and the original application is to be mailed to the address indicated in the application. Form DR-156T may be obtained, without cost, from the Department's website at www.floridarevenue.com/forms or by calling the Department at (850)488-6800, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Florida Relay Service at 711, 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).

(c) through (e) No change.

(3) Temporary Importers, Exporters, or Carriers.

(a) No change.

(b) Temporary Importers.

1. through 2. No change.

~~3. Sales of Aviation Fuel.~~

~~a. Temporary importers must collect and remit the tax directly to the Department on sales of aviation fuel in Florida when the Florida 6.9 cents per gallon aviation fuel tax has not been collected by an out of state fuel supplier.~~

~~b. No additional aviation fuel tax is due on sales of aviation fuel in Florida when the Florida 6.9 cents per gallon aviation fuel tax has been paid to an out of state terminal supplier who holds a valid Florida fuel license.~~

~~3.4. No change.~~

(c) through (d) No change.

(4) No change.

(5) Taxable Sales. Temporary importers are required to collect the following taxes:

(a) through (b) No change.

~~(e) The tax imposed by Section 206.9825(1), F.S., on all nontaxed sales, deliveries, or consignments of aviation fuel to retail dealers, resellers, and end users.~~

(6) Returns.

(a) No change

(b) Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return.

1. All temporary importers, who sell gasoline, gasohol, diesel, and undyed diesel, ~~and aviation fuel~~, are required to report all taxes imposed by Chapter 206, F.S., on a Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309632, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) on or before the 20th day of each month for transactions occurring during the previous month.

2. A collection allowance deduction (found on the return) is authorized to temporary importers from the taxes collected under Sections 206.41(1)(a), (b), (c) and (g) ~~and 206.9825(1), F.S., on sales of motor fuel and aviation fuel~~ when 50 percent of the allowable deduction is granted to a purchaser with a valid wholesaler or terminal supplier license, and only when the return and payment are remitted timely.

3. No change.

(c) Exporter Fuel Tax Return. Temporary exporters of gasoline, gasohol, diesel, and undyed diesel, ~~and aviation fuel~~ are required to report all gallons of fuel exported from Florida on an Exporter Fuel Tax Return (~~f~~Form DR-309638, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.).

(d) Carrier Information Return. Temporary carriers of gasoline, gasohol, diesel, and undyed diesel, ~~and aviation fuel~~ are required to report all gallons of fuel exported from Florida on a Petroleum Carrier Information Return (~~f~~Form DR-309637, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.).

(7) Refunds and Credits.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c)1. Instead of taking ultimate vendor credits on their fuel tax returns, temporary importers may obtain a refund of fuel taxes paid on sales of gasoline, gasohol, and undyed diesel, ~~and aviation fuel~~ sold for exempt purposes.

2. through 3. No change.

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12B-5.150 Public Use Forms.

(1)(a) The following public use forms and instructions are utilized by the Department and are hereby incorporated by reference in this rule.

(b) Copies of these forms are available, without cost, by ~~one or more of the following methods~~: 1) downloading the form from the Department's website at floridarevenue.com; or, 2) calling the Department at (850)488-6800, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays); or, 3) writing the Florida Department of Revenue, Taxpayer Services, Mail Stop 3-2000, 5050 West Tennessee Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0112. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Florida Relay Service at 711, 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TTY).

	Form Number	Title	Effective Date
(2)	DR-138	Application for Fuel Tax Refund Agricultural, Aquacultural, Commercial Fishing or Commercial Aviation Purposes (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-11385)	01/20
(2) 3)	DR-156	Florida Fuel or Pollutants Tax Application (https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-1877412320)	01/26 01/21
(3) 4)	DR-156 R	Renewal Application for Florida Fuel <u>and</u> Pollutants Pollutant License (https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-1877512321)	01/26 01/21
(4) (5) No change.			
(5) 6)	DR-157	Fuel or Pollutants Tax Surety Bond (https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-1877612323)	01/26 01/21
(6) 7)	DR-157 A	Assignment of Time Deposit (https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-1877712324)	01/26 01/21
(7) 8)	DR-157 B	Fuel or Pollutants Tax Cash Bond (https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-1877812325)	01/26 01/21

(8) 9)	DR- 157 W	Bond Worksheet Instructions (https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18779 16264)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(9)(10) No change.			
(11))	DR- 176	Application for Air Carrier Fuel Tax License (https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14827)	01/2 3
(12))	DR- 182	Florida Air Carrier Fuel Tax Return (R. 01/23) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14828)	01/2 3
(13) through (15) renumbered (10) through (12) No change.			
(16))	DR- 191	Application for Aviation Fuel Tax Refund — Air Carriers (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10800)	07/1 9
(13)(17) No change.			
(14) (1) 8)	DR- 309 631	Terminal Supplier Fuel Tax Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18780 09850)	01/2 6 09/1 8
(15) (1) 9)	DR- 309 631 N	Instructions for Filing Terminal Supplier Fuel Tax Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18781 16266)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(16) (2) 0)	DR- 309 632	Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return (R. 01/14) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18782 03586)	01/2 6 01/1 4
(17) (2) 1)	DR- 309 632 N	Instructions for Filing Wholesaler/Importer Fuel Tax Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18783 16267)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(18)(22) No change.			
(19) (2) 3)	DR- 309 633 N	Instructions for Filing Mass Transit System Provider Fuel Tax Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18784 16268)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(20)(24) No change.			

(21) (2) 5)	DR- 309 634 N	Instructions for Filing Local Government User of Diesel Fuel Tax Return (R. 01/15) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18785 16269)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(22) (2) 6)	DR- 309 635	Blender Fuel Tax Return (R. 01/14) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18786 03591)	01/2 6 01/1 4
(23) (2) 7)	DR- 309 635 N	Instructions for Filing Blender Fuel Tax Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18787 16270)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(24) (2) 8)	DR- 309 636	Terminal Operator Information Return (R. 01/14) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18788 03593)	01/2 6 01/1 4
(25) (2) 9)	DR- 309 636 N	Instructions for Filing Terminal Operator Information Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18789 16271)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(26) (3) 0)	DR- 309 637	Petroleum Carrier Information Return (R. 01/13) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18790 02142)	01/2 6 01/1 3
(27) (3) 1)	DR- 309 637 N	Instructions for Filing Petroleum Carrier Information Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18791 16272)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(28) (3) 2)	DR- 309 638	Exporter Fuel Tax Return (R. 01/14) (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18792 03596)	01/2 6 01/1 4
(29) (3) 3)	DR- 309 638 N	Instructions for Filing Exporter Fuel Tax Return (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18793 16273)	01/2 6 01/2 4
(34) through (35) renumbered (30) through (31) No change.			
(36))	DR- 309 660	Application for Pollutants Tax Refund	01/2 0

		(http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-11391)	
(32) (37) No change.			
(3) (3)	D R- 30 96 53	Motor Fuel Taxes Comma-Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications-Wholesaler/Importer, Exporter, Blender, and Petroleum Carrier Fuel Tax Returns (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18794)	01 /2 6
(3) (4)	D R- 30 96 54	Motor Fuel Taxes Comma-Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications-Mass Transit System Provider and Local Government User of Diesel Fuel Tax Returns (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18795)	01 /2 6
(3) (5)	D R- 30 96 60	Application for Pollutants Tax Refund (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-11391)	01 /2 0

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12B-5.300 Aviation Fuel Licensees.**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2026

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12B-5.375 Temporary Pollutant Importer License Issued Under a Declared Emergency.

(1) General Information. When the Governor of Florida has declared a state of emergency pursuant to Section 252.36, F.S.,

or when the President of the United States has declared a major disaster in Florida, another state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, gasoline, gasohol, and diesel fuel; ~~and aviation fuel~~ imported into Florida is subject to the Florida pollutant tax. Any person who imports fuels subject to the Florida pollutant tax is required to hold a valid Florida pollutant license issued by the Department.

(2) No change.

(3) Temporary Pollutant Importers.

(a) The Florida pollutant tax accrues at the time of importation of motor, and diesel fuel, ~~and aviation fuel~~ into Florida.

(b) No change.

(c) Holders of temporary pollutant importer licenses are required to pay the Florida pollutant taxes due to the Department when gasoline, gasohol, and diesel fuel, ~~and aviation fuel~~ is imported into Florida and the Florida pollutant taxes due have not been paid to an out-of-state dealer who holds a valid Florida pollutant license. Tax is due at the pollutant tax rates provided in subsection (5) of Rule 12B-5.400, F.A.C.

(d) No change.

(4) through (7)

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PART III ~~IV~~ TAX ON POLLUTANTS**12B-5.400 Producers and Importers of Pollutants.**

(1) No change.

(2) Definitions. The following definitions are for purposes of Part III ~~IV~~, Chapter 206, F.S., only:

(a) through (k) No change.

(3) Licensing and Bonding.

(a) Any person who does not hold a valid motor fuel, or diesel fuel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ tax license issued pursuant to Parts I or II ~~or III~~ of Chapter 206, F.S., and who produces, imports, or causes pollutants to be imported into this state is required to obtain a pollutants tax license.

(b)1. To obtain an annual license as an importer or producer of taxable pollutants, a person must file a Florida Fuel or Pollutants ~~Pollutant~~ Tax Application (~~(Form DR-156 DR-166,~~ incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.) and the required attachments with the Department, as provided in the application.

2. No change.

(c) through (e) No change.

(4) through (7) No change.

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206.9942, 206.9943, 213.755 FS. History—New 11-21-96, Amended 10-27-98, 5-1-06, 6-1-09, 1-25-12, 1-17-18, 1-1-21, 1-1-26.

PART IV ~~▼~~ TAX ON NATURAL GAS FUEL

12B-5.500 Natural Gas Fuel Retailers.

(1) No change.

(2) Licensing.

(a) To obtain an annual license as a natural gas fuel retailer, every person required to obtain a license must file ~~f~~Form DR-156, Florida Fuel Tax Application (incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), and the required attachments, with the Department, as provided in the application.

(b) Each license is required to be renewed annually by filing ~~f~~Form DR-156R, Renewal Application for Florida Fuel/Pollutant License (incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.), and the required attachments with the Department, as provided in the renewal application.

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12B-5.600 Tracking System Reporting Requirements.

(1) Scope. This rule addresses requirements for the electronic submission of information used by the Department to track the movement of any product defined as a motor, or diesel, ~~or aviation fuel~~ that has been received, disbursed, delivered, imported, exported, or moved in any manner within Florida by a licensed fuel dealer. This rule applies to licensed terminal suppliers, terminal operators, wholesalers, importers, petroleum carriers, exporters, and blenders.

(2) Electronic filing and data format. Returns must be filed electronically in the correct format, include all reportable transactions, and contain accurate information from source records such as bills of lading, delivery tickets, or invoices. The filing method and format for returns are dependent on the type of fuel license issued by the Department.

(a) Terminal suppliers and terminal operators must file returns using Extensible Markup Language (XML), as provided in the Form DR-309652, Motor Fuel Taxes XML User Guide for eFile Developers and Transmitters, (form DR-309652, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.). Instructions for how to electronically file returns can be found in the following forms, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.:

1. through 2. No change.

(b) Wholesalers, importers, petroleum carriers, exporters, and blenders must file returns through the Department's eServices website by manually entering data or importing comma-delimited (CSV) or fixed-length text (flat) files as provided in the Motor Fuel Taxes Comma-Delimited (CSV) and Flat File Specifications – Wholesaler/Importer, Exporter,

Blender, and Petroleum Carrier (form DR-309653, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C.). Instructions for how to electronically file returns can be found in the following forms, incorporated by reference in Rule 12B-5.150:

1. through 4. No change.

(3) through (4) No change.

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