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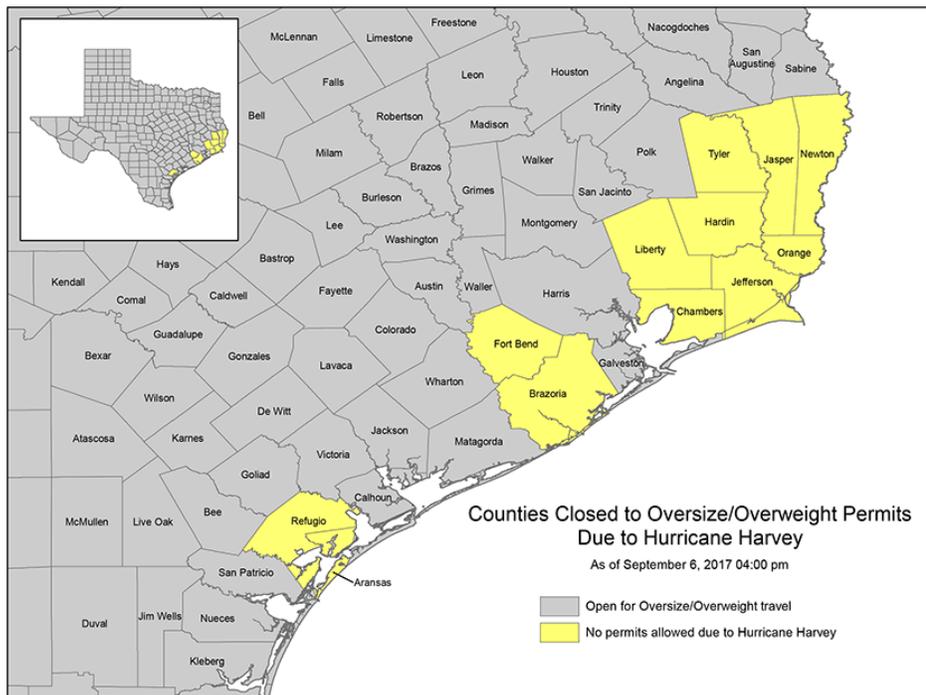
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The TxDMV will not issue oversize/overweight permits for travel into or out of disaster areas (see map below) for loads not related to relief efforts. Only oversize and/or overweight vehicles involved in the relief efforts will be allowed to travel in the Hurricane Harvey affected areas. Active permits issued prior to the disaster will be extended as needed for travel at a later date.

Motor carriers transporting oversize and/or overweight loads for Hurricane Harvey disaster relief efforts have two options, the permit waiver per Gov. Gregg Abbott's Declaration of Disaster or the MAP-21 Emergency Relief Permit per President Trump's Declaration of Disaster. Visit the following link for more details: <http://www.txdmv.gov/harvey>

**Harris County** is now open to all oversize/overweight vehicle and load travel. Go to <http://www.txdmv.gov/motorcarriers/permit-restrictions> for information on roadways open and closed to oversize/overweight vehicle and load travel.

Note: Map will continue to be updated as needed.





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## **Temporary Suspension of Motor Carrier IRP Requirements for Disaster Relief**

Commercial Vehicle registration requirements to travel in and through the state of Texas are temporarily suspended by order of Texas Governor Greg Abbott. This is to make it faster and easier for operators of commercial vehicles to provide disaster relief assistance to both Texas and Louisiana. A commercial motor vehicle qualifies for the temporary suspension of International Registration Plan (IRP) requirements if the vehicle is registered in one of the 48 contiguous states and is not currently registered under IRP. The suspension covers the vehicle registration requirements for operators of commercial motor vehicles that are providing assistance to Texas and/or Louisiana pursuant to the disaster declarations for those states.

Additionally, the requirements to obtain a 72-/144-hour temporary registration permit also are suspended for those commercial motor vehicles that are not eligible for IRP registration. These waivers do not apply to safety requirements. Operators are responsible and liable for safely routing their vehicles by obtaining current restrictions and information concerning hazardous weather-related road conditions prior to movement.

No action on your part is required to qualify for the temporary waivers. These suspensions expire 14 days after the expiration of Governor Abbott's August 23, 2017, Disaster Declaration, as amended.

Visit the Motor Carrier portal for all your TxDMV needs at <http://www.TxDmv.gov/motor-carriers>.  
Texas Department of Motor Vehicles  
Motor Carrier Division – Commercial Fleet Services Section  
Phone: 1-800-299-1700, option 5



**Federal Motor Carrier  
Safety Administration**

August 31, 2017

**AMENDED REGIONAL DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY UNDER 49 CFR § 390.23**

In accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR § 390.23, the Field Administrator for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) Western Service Center and Regional Field Administrators for FMCSA's Southern Service Center, Eastern Service Center and Midwestern Service Center, hereby declare that an emergency exists that warrants issuance of a Regional Emergency Declaration and an exemption from Parts 390 through 399 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs), except as otherwise restricted by this Emergency Declaration. Such emergency is in response to anticipated fuel shortages due to refinery delays and interruption of delivery through pipelines as a result of damage from Tropical Storm Harvey. Affected States and jurisdictions included in this Emergency Declaration are: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington, D.C. and West Virginia.

This Emergency Declaration responds to emergency conditions created as a result of Tropical Storm Harvey, including anticipated fuel shortages in the Affected States and jurisdictions, which will create a need for immediate transportation of fuel products, including gasoline, diesel fuels, kerosene, jet fuel, aviation fuel, aviation gasoline, propane and home heating oil, into and from the Affected States and jurisdictions and provides necessary relief.

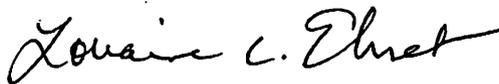
By execution of this Emergency Declaration, motor carriers and drivers providing direct assistance to the emergency transporting fuel products into and from the above listed Affected States and jurisdictions are granted emergency relief from Parts 390 through 399 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations except as restricted herein, including for any portion of the trip that occurs outside of the Affected States and jurisdictions.

Direct assistance terminates when a driver or commercial motor vehicle is used in interstate commerce to transport cargo or provide services not directly supporting the emergency relief effort. Upon termination of direct assistance to the emergency relief effort, the motor carrier and driver are subject to the requirements of 49 CFR Parts 390 through 399.

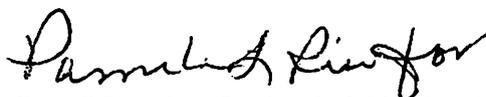
Nothing contained in this Emergency Declaration shall be construed as an exemption from the controlled substances and alcohol use and testing requirements (49 CFR Part 382), the commercial driver's license requirements (49 CFR Part 383), the financial responsibility (insurance) requirements (49 CFR Part 387), the hazardous material regulations (49 CFR Parts 100-180), applicable size and weight requirements, or any other portion of the regulations not specifically authorized pursuant to 49 CFR § 390.23.

Motor carriers or drivers currently subject to an out-of-service order are not eligible for the relief granted by this declaration until they have met the applicable conditions for its rescission and the order has been rescinded by FMCSA.

In accordance with 49 CFR § 390.23, this declaration is effective immediately and shall remain in effect for the duration of the emergency (as defined in 49 CFR § 390.5) or until 11:59 P.M. (ET), September 30, 2017, whichever occurs first.



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