DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration


AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).


SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of Nineteenth RTCA SC–227 Standards of Navigation Performance Navigation Information on Electronic Maps.

DATES: The meeting will be held Monday through Thursday, December 05–08, 2016, 09:00 a.m.–05:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: RTCA Headquarters, 1150 18th Street NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a meeting of the Nineteenth RTCA SC–227 Standards of Navigation Performance Navigation Information on Electronic Maps. The agenda will include the following:

Plenary—Monday, December 5, 2016, 09:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.
1. Welcome and Administrative Remarks
2. Introduction
3. Review of Minutes from Meeting 18.
4. Agenda Overview
   a. Schedule
   b. New Business
5. Review and discussion of MOPS issues and change proposals.

Closing Plenary—Thursday, December 8, 2016, 3:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.
1. Working Group 3 Progress Report/Summary
2. Other Business
3. Date of Next Meeting
4. Adjourn

All other times will be designated for Working Groups.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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Second RTCA SC–236 Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG–96

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).


SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of Second RTCA SC–236 Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG–96.

DATES: The meeting will be held December 5–7, 2016, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a meeting of the Second RTCA SC–236 Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG–96. The agenda will include the following:

Monday Through Wednesday, December 5–7, 2016, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
1. Welcome/Administrative Duties
2. IPR/Membership Call-Out and Introductions
4. Recap of Sub-working Group Structure and Scope Statements
5. Review of Schedule for Sub-working groups
6. Break-out into Initial Working Groups
7. Reports of the Plans for the Working Groups
8. New Business Discussions
9. Review of Action Items
10. Plan for next meeting
11. Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for 38 individuals. FMCSA has statutory authority to exempt individuals from the vision requirement if the exemptions granted will not compromise safety. The Agency has concluded that granting these exemption renewals will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

DATES: Each group of renewed exemptions are effective from the dates stated in the discussions below. Comments must be received on or before December 15, 2016.


- Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: Each submission must include the Agency name and the docket number for this notice. Note that DOT posts all comments received without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information included in a comment. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments go to http://www.regulations.gov at any time or Room W12–140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. If you want acknowledgment that we received your comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard or print the acknowledgement page that appears after submitting comments on-line.

Privacy Act: Anyone may search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or of the person signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT’s Privacy Act Statement for the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) published in the Federal Register on January 17, 2008 (73 FR 3316).

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Christine A. Hydock, Chief, Medical Programs Division, Medical Programs Division, 202–366–4001, fmcsamedical@dot.gov, FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W64–224, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA may renew an exemption from the vision requirements in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), which applies to drivers of CMVs in interstate commerce, for a two-year period if it finds “such exemption would likely achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level that would be achieved absent such exemption.” The procedures for requesting an exemption (including renewals) are set out in 49 CFR part 381.

Exemption Decision

This notice addresses 38 individuals who have requested renewal of their exemptions in accordance with FMCSA procedures. FMCSA has evaluated these 38 applications for renewal on their merits and decided to extend each exemption for a renewable two-year period. Each individual is identified according to the renewal date.

The exemptions are extended subject to the following conditions: (1) That each individual has a physical examination every year (a) by an ophthalmologist or optometrist who attests that the vision in the better eye continues to meet the requirements in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10), and (b) by a medical examiner who attests that the individual is otherwise physically qualified under 49 CFR 391.41; (2) that each individual provides a copy of the ophthalmologist’s or optometrist’s report to the medical examiner at the time of the annual medical examination; and (3) that each individual provide a copy of the annual medical certification to the employer for retention in the driver’s qualification file and retains a copy of the certification on his/her person while driving for presentation to a duly authorized Federal, State, or local enforcement official. Each exemption will be valid for two years unless rescinded earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be rescinded if: (1) The person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315.

Basis for Renewing Exemptions

Under 49 U.S.C. 31135(b)(1), an exemption may be granted for no longer than two years from its approval date and may be renewed upon application for additional two year periods. The following group(s) of drivers will receive renewed exemptions effective in the month of November and are discussed below.

As of November 9, 2016, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, the following 36 individuals have satisfied the conditions for obtaining a renewed exemption from the vision requirements (63 FR 196; 63 FR 30285; 65 FR 20245; 65 FR 33406; 65 FR 57230; 65 FR 57234; 65 FR 66293; 66 FR 53826; 66 FR 69666; 67 FR 46016; 67 FR 57266; 67 FR 57267; 67 FR 67234; 68 FR 69434; 69 FR 51346; 69 FR 52741; 69 FR 52742; 70 FR 74102; 71 FR 50970; 71 FR 53489; 71 FR 62147; 71 FR 62148; 73 FR 35196; 73 FR 36955; 73 FR 4737; 73 FR 48270; 75 FR 48275; 75 FR 51336; 75 FR 51689; 75 FR 54888; 76 FR 61925; 76 FR 63047; 77 FR 74565; 77 FR 25919; 77 FR 30779; 77 FR 39725; 77 FR 39729; 77 FR 44051; 77 FR 47883; 78 FR 50799; 78 FR 52061; 78 FR 52062; 78 FR 52063; 78 FR 54958; 79 FR 59327; 79 FR 61833; 79 FR 63257; 79 FR 64396; 79 FR 66423; 79 FR 70078; 79 FR 7657; 79 FR 22059; 79 FR 27852; 79 FR 38384; 79 FR 39379; 79 FR 40946; 77 FR 46153; 77 FR 48590; 77 FR 52381; 77 FR 52388; 77 FR 52389; 77 FR 60601; 77 FR 64582; 77 FR 64583; 77 FR 64841; 77 FR 68199; 79 FR 68200; 79 FR 27681; 79 FR
The drivers were included in one of the following dockets: Docket No. FMCSA–2014–0296 and FMCSA–2014–0297. Their exemptions are effective as of November 22, 2016, and will expire on November 22, 2018.

Each of the 38 applicants listed in the groups above has requested renewal of the exemption and has submitted evidence showing that the vision in the better eye continues to meet the requirement specified at 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10) and that the vision impairment is stable. In addition, a review of each record of safety while driving with the respective vision deficiencies over the past two years indicates each applicant continues to meet the vision exemption requirements.

These factors provide an adequate basis for predicting each driver’s ability to continue to drive safely in interstate commerce. Therefore, FMCSA concludes that extending the exemption for each renewal applicant for a period of two years is likely to achieve a level of safety equal to that existing without the exemption.

Request for Comments

FMCSA will review comments received at any time concerning a particular driver’s safety record and determine if the continuation of the exemption is consistent with the requirements at 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315. However, FMCSA requests that interested parties with specific data concerning the safety records of these drivers submit comments by December 15, 2016.

FMCSA believes that the requirements for a renewal of an exemption under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315 can be satisfied by initially granting the renewal and then requesting and evaluating, if needed, subsequent comments submitted by interested parties. As indicated above, the Agency previously published notices of final disposition announcing its decision to exempt these 38 individuals from the vision requirement in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10). The final decision to grant an exemption to each of these individuals was made on the merits of each case and made only after careful consideration of the comments received to its notices of applications. The notices of applications stated in detail the qualifications, experience, and medical condition of each applicant for an exemption from the vision requirements. That information is available by consulting the above cited Federal Register publications.

Interested parties or organizations possessing information that would otherwise show that any, or all, of these drivers are not currently achieving the statutory level of safety should immediately notify FMCSA. The Agency will evaluate any adverse evidence submitted and, if safety is being compromised or if continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA will take immediate steps to revoke the exemption of a driver.

Submitting Comments

You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that FMCSA can contact you if there are questions regarding your submission.


We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. FMCSA may issue a final rule at any time after the close of the comment period.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration


Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Diabetes

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of exemptions; request for comments.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to renew the exemptions of 117 individuals from its rule prohibiting persons with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus (ITDM) from operating commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce. FMCSA has statutory authority to exempt individuals from this rule if the exemptions granted will not compromise safety. The Agency has concluded that granting these exemption renewals will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level of safety maintained without the exemptions for these CMV drivers.

DATES: Each group of renewed exemptions is effective from the dates stated in the discussions below.

Comments must be received on or before December 15, 2016.


• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

• Mail: Docket Management System (FDMS) published in the Federal Register. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001.

• Fax: 1–202–493–2251.

• Instructions:

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stated in the discussions below.

renewal two-year period. Each individual is identified according to the

medical evaluation; (2) that each individual submit a quarterly monitoring checklist completed by the

medical evaluation that appears after submitting comments on-line.

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the name of the individual submitting the comment (or of the person signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT’s Privacy Act Statement for the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) published in the Federal Register on January 17, 2008 (73 FR 3316).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Christine A. Hydock, Chief, Medical Programs Division, 202–366–4001, fmcsamedical@dot.gov, FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W64–113, Washington, DC 20590–0001. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, FMCSA may renew an exemption from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations 2-year period if it finds “such exemption would likely achieve a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level that would be achieved absent such exemption.” The statute also allows the Agency to renew exemptions at the end of the 2-year period. The 117 individuals listed in this notice have recently become eligible for a renewed exemption from the diabetes prohibition in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(3), which applies to drivers of CMVs in interstate commerce. The drivers remain in good standing with the Agency, have maintained their required medical monitoring and have not exhibited any medical issues that would compromise their ability to safely operate a CMV during the previous 2-year exemption period.

Exemption Decision

This notice addresses 117 individuals who have requested renewal of their exemptions in accordance with FMCSA procedures. These 117 drivers remain in good standing with the Agency, have maintained their required medical monitoring and have not exhibited any medical issues that would compromise their ability to safely operate a CMV during the previous 2-year exemption period. Therefore, FMCSA has decided to extend each exemption for a renewable two-year period. Each individual is identified according to the renewal date.

The exemptions are renewed subject to the following conditions: (1) That each individual submit a quarterly monitoring checklist completed by the treating endocrinologist as well as an annual checklist with a comprehensive medical evaluation; (2) that each individual reports within 2 business days of occurrence, all episodes of severe hypoglycemia, significant complications, or inability to manage diabetes; also, any involvement in an accident or any other adverse event in a CMV or personal vehicle, whether or not it is related to an episode of hypoglycemia; (3) that each individual submit an annual ophthalmologist’s or optometrist’s report; and (4) that each individual provide a copy of the annual medical certification to the employer for retention in the driver’s qualification file, or keep a copy in his/her driver’s