ATTENTION DRIVERS

Transporting CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT



Recent implementations in the federal/state hours of service regulations has allowed the Georgia Department of Public Safety to grant certain concessions to drivers and motor carriers engaged in the transportation of construction materials and equipment.

395.1(m): In the instance of a driver of a commercial vehicle who is used <u>primarily</u> in the transportation of <u>construction materials and equipment</u>, any period of 7 or 8 consecutive days may end with the beginning of any off-duty period of 24 or more successive hours.

Example: A local concrete mixer driver who operates under the 60 hour rule (or 70 hour rule) works several long days and manages to accumulate 60 hours of on-duty time Monday through Thursday (approximately 15 hours each day). Following work on Thursday he takes 24 consecutive hours off-duty. When he returns to work on Saturday, he will start with no hours and has another 60 hours (or 70 hours) available.

According to Title 49 CFR, Part 395.2, the transportation of construction materials and equipment is defined as the transportation of construction and pavement materials, construction equipment, and construction maintenance vehicles, by a driver to and from an active construction site or project (a construction site between mobilization of equipment and materials to the site of final completion of the construction project) within a 50 air mile radius of the normal work reporting location of the driver.

The aforementioned does not apply to drivers and motor carriers engaged in:

- The occasional transportation of construction materials and equipment
- The transportation of construction materials and supplies to storage sites
 - Transporting hazardous materials in quantities requiring placards.

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