

# Taxpayer Access Point (TAP) Project Update – August 2015

## Non-Filing and Late Filing Penalty Policy Changes for IFTA

A \$50 penalty will apply for Non-filing and Late Filing for Taxes as of October 1, 2015 as a result of the implementation of existing IFTA allowances. Penalties will be assessed to your account if you are filing online, or submitted to you by U.S. Mail.

**Please avoid penalties by filing your tax returns on time!**

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## Submit IRP Renewals before September 11, 2015

Registration renewals and payments must be made by September 11, 2015, before the new system transition begins. Please submit your payments via U.S. Mail or in person at one of our offices.

**Delays in processing will occur if payments are made after September 11, 2015.**

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## New Fuel Tax Licensing Structure Effective July 1, 2016

The new Fuel Tax Restructure law, SHB 1883, becomes effective July 1, 2016. This statute consolidates existing special fuel tax and motor vehicle fuel statutes and:

- Simplifies the current licensing and tax structure;
- Changes bonding requirements for licensees;
- Eliminates fingerprint cards, background checks, and financial statements submission;
- Establishes uniform penalties in motor fuel, special fuel, and aircraft.

### Additional details

- All current licensees will need to reapply for a new license and bonds
- Fuel Carriers will need to register and provide documentation

Please go to <http://www.dol.wa.gov/vehicleregistration/ftlicenses.html> for more details about the new requirements enacted by SHB 1883.

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## August 2015 – Taxpayer Access Point (TAP) Update:

Implementation of the new online system and the TAP website is eight weeks away! While there is work to do before “Go Live” on October 5, 2015, we are looking forward to the efficiencies this will bring to you, our customers. **Pay and Renew Online....And Much More!**

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As of October 5<sup>th</sup>, you can:

- Establish one account for a single or multiple services, such as IFTA, IRP, etc, file tax returns, update or add to account information, view account balances, and correspondence related to your account
- File and pay IFTA Returns and IRP registrations online using your bank account
- Manage your IFTA, IRP accounts and customer account profile information
- Order and purchase IFTA decals
- Print temporary registration authority
- Print replacement cab cards
- Scan and upload applications in your account, such as IRS Form 2290 – Heavy Vehicle Use Tax Reporting
  - Scanned documents will be accepted in TIF & PDF versions.

## TAP Testing

We will be TAP testing during the first week of September. Our focus will be on the functionality of TAP. Thank you to those of you who volunteered to help with our testing. In late September we will post more information on how to create your own account. You won't be able to create your account until after we implement and access TAP on October 5, 2015.

## TAP Go Live

We are on track to implement TAP on October 5<sup>th</sup>. The current system will be available until September 24, 2015 for your use. However, October 1–5, you will not be able to file online. You can continue to submit your returns by mail or in person at one of our offices. To avoid delays in processing your IRP, renewals must be submitted prior to September 11, 2015.

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## Filing until September 24

Up to September 24, 2015, you can continue to file your returns in the current system. Between October 1 and October 5, you will not be able to file online, however you can continue to submit your returns by mail or in person at one of our offices.

We are looking forward to serving you with TAP. We will post a link to TAP on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 when the system is ready for use. We are confident that the new system will improve our service and save you time and expense! Please submit any questions to [PRFTQuestions@dol.wa.gov](mailto:PRFTQuestions@dol.wa.gov) and we will reply as soon as possible.