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## Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Rate on Diesel Fuel Decreased Effective July 1, 2016

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**Purpose:** This Announcement notifies taxpayers of the motor vehicle fuels tax rate per gallon on the sale or use of diesel fuel that goes into effect for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2016.

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**Effective Date:** July 1, 2016.

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**Statutory Authority:** Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-458(a)(2), and Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-458h.

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**Decrease in Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Rate on Diesel Fuel:** The Commissioner of Revenue Services has calculated the new diesel fuel tax rate for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2016. Effective July 1, 2016, the new diesel fuel tax rate is 41.7¢ per gallon and will remain in effect through June 30, 2017.

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**Effect on Other Documents:** The following forms will be revised to reflect the rate decrease discussed in this Announcement:

- **Form OP-216**, *Special Fuel Tax Return*;
- **AU-724**, *Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Refund Claim Off Highway, Marine, Governmental, School Bus, and Waste Hauling Use*;
- **AU-725**, *Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Refund Claim Farm Use*;
- **AU-736**, *Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Refund Claim, Motor Bus, Taxicab, & Livery*;
- **AU-737**, *Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Refund Claim, Airport Service Motor Bus*;
- **AU-738**, *Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Refund Claim, Nutrition Program*; **and**
- **AU-741**, *Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax Refund Claim, Commuter Vans*.

**Effect of This Document:** Announcements alert taxpayers to new developments (other than newly enacted or amended Connecticut or federal laws or newly released judicial decisions), including new administrative positions, policies, or practices.

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**For More Information on the Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax:** Call the Excise Taxes Unit of the Audit Division at **860-541-3224** during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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**Forms and Publications:** Visit the DRS website at [www.ct.gov/DRS](http://www.ct.gov/DRS) to download and print Connecticut tax forms and publications.

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**File Electronically:** You can choose first-time filer information and filing assistance or log directly into the **TSC** to file returns and pay taxes.

**Pay Electronically:** You can pay taxes for tax returns that cannot be filed through the **TSC**. Log in and select the *Make Payment Only* option. Designate a payment date up to the due date of the tax and mail a paper return to complete the filing process.

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