

MOTOR FUEL TAX ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 403 of 2000

207.1003 Definitions; F to I.

Sec. 3. As used in this act:

(a) "Fuel feedstock user" means a person who receives motor fuel for the person's own use in the manufacture or production of any substance other than motor fuel.

(b) "Fuel grade ethanol" means the American Society for Testing and Materials standard in effect on April 1, 2001 as the D-4806 specification for denatured fuel grade ethanol for blending with gasoline.

(c) "Fuel transportation vehicle" means a vehicle designed or used to transport motor fuel on the public roads or highways. Fuel transportation vehicle includes, but is not limited to, a transport truck and a tank wagon. Fuel transportation vehicle does not include a vehicle transporting a nurse tank or limited volume auxiliary-mounted supply tank used for fueling an implement of husbandry.

(d) "Gallon" means a unit of liquid measure as customarily used in the United States containing 231 cubic inches, or 4 quarts, or its metric equivalent expressed in liters. Where the term gallon appears in this act, the term liters is interchangeable so long as the equivalence of a gallon and 3.785 liters is preserved. A quantity required to be furnished under this act may be specified in liters when authorized by the department.

(e) "Gasohol" means a blended motor fuel composed of gasoline and fuel grade ethanol.

(f) "Gasoline" means gasoline, alcohol, gasohol, casing head or natural gasoline, benzol, benzine, naphtha, and any blendstock additive, or other product including methanol that is sold for blending with gasoline or for use on the road other than products typically sold in containers of less than 5 gallons. Gasoline also includes a liquid prepared, advertised, offered for sale, sold for use as, or used in the generation of power for the propulsion of a motor vehicle, airplane, or marine vessel, including a product obtained by blending together any 1 or more products of petroleum, with or without another product, and regardless of the original character of the petroleum products blended, if the product obtained by the blending is capable of use in the generation of power for the propulsion of a motor vehicle, airplane, or marine vessel. The blending of all of the above named products, regardless of their name or characteristics, shall conclusively be presumed to have been done to produce motor fuel, unless the product obtained by the blending is entirely incapable of use as motor fuel. Gasoline also includes transmix. Gasoline does not include diesel fuel or leaded racing fuel. An additive or blendstock is presumed to be sold for blending unless a certification is obtained for federal purposes that the substance is for a use other than blending for gasoline.

(g) "Gross gallons" means the total measured product, exclusive of any temperature or pressure adjustments, considerations, or deductions, in gallons.

(h) "Implement of husbandry" means a farm tractor, a vehicle designed to be drawn or pulled by a farm tractor or animal, a vehicle that directly harvests farm products, or a vehicle that directly applies fertilizer, spray, or seeds to a farm field. Implement of husbandry does not include a motor vehicle licensed for use on the public roads or highways of this state.

(i) "Import" means to bring motor fuel into this state by motor vehicle, marine vessel, pipeline, or any other means. Import does not include bringing motor fuel into this state in the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle if the motor fuel is used to power that motor vehicle. Motor fuel delivered into this state from outside of this state by or for the seller constitutes an import by the seller, and motor fuel delivered into this state from outside of this state by or for the purchaser constitutes an import by the purchaser.

(j) "Importer" means a person who imports motor fuel into this state.

(k) "Import verification number" means the number assigned by the department to an individual delivery of motor fuel by a transport truck, tank wagon, marine vessel, or rail car in response to a request for a number from an importer or transporter carrying motor fuel into this state for the account of an importer.

(l) "Inflation rate" means the annual percentage change in the consumer price index, as determined by the department, comparing the 2 most recent October 1 through September 30 periods that are immediately preceding the effective date of the rate prescribed under section 8(1)(c), converted to decimals. If the annual percentage change is negative, then the inflation rate is zero.

(m) "In this state" means the area within the borders of this state, including all territories within the borders owned by, held in trust by, or added to the United States of America.

(n) "Invoiced gallons" means the number of gallons actually billed on an invoice.

History: 2000, Act 403, Eff. Apr. 1, 2001;—Am. 2002, Act 668, Eff. Apr. 1, 2003;—Am. 2006, Act 277, Eff. Jan. 1, 2004;—Am. 2015, Act 176, Eff. Jan. 1, 2017.

Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 277 of 2006 provides:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act shall be retroactively applied to January 1, 2004 but shall not authorize refunds other than to an end user for taxes previously paid."

Compiler's note: Enacting section 2 of Act 468 of 2014 provides:

"Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Joint Resolution UU of the 97th Legislature becomes a part of the state constitution of 1963 as provided in section 1 of article XII of the state constitution of 1963."

House Joint Resolution UU was presented to the electors as Proposal 15-1 at the May 5, 2015 special election. The proposal to amend the constitution was not approved by the voters and Act 468 of 2014 does not go into effect.