ELD Implementation



What Is It?

The United States Congress enacted the "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century" bill, or, more commonly referred to as MAP-21. That bill included a provision requiring the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to develop a rule mandating the use of electronic logging devices (ELDs).

How Does it Work?

The mandate for ELDs is intended to ensure that safe operating limits imposed on drivers are controlled. Fleets have until December 2017 to implement certified ELDs to record HOS. While there have been announcements regarding enforcement being delayed until April 1, 2018, a significant portion of the industry has already complied.

What Can Shippers and Consignees Do to Keep Drivers Driving?

- Ensure that live load and live unload are planned to reduce the amount of on-duty time used by the driver.
- Ensure that any cross-border or inspection paperwork is in good order to avoid excessive driver delays at border crossings and inspection facilities.
- Ensure that there are adequate safe parking areas for drivers to go off-duty if their time expires while on the property of shippers and consignees.
- Build flexibility into shipping and receiving schedules and activities.





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