



**FMCSA FINAL HOURS OF SERVICE RULE - RULE COMPARISON CHART**  
Created December 2011, Updated April 2013

	FMCSA's CURRENT HOS RULE	<i>FMCSA's FINAL HOS RULE December 2011</i>
	All Property Carrying Drivers and Motor Carriers	All Property Carrying Drivers and Motor Carriers
Minimum Off-Duty Hours Between Shifts	10 consecutive hours	<i>10 consecutive hours - Same as current rule.</i>
Total On-Duty Window in Each Shift	14 consecutive hours	<i>Change based on Rest Break – Still 14 consecutive hours; with 30 minute rest break, maximum on-duty time within 14 hour window is 13.5 hours. No driving may occur after 14 consecutive hours of coming on duty; non-driving work is allowed past the 14 hour driving window;</i>
Total Hours (On-Duty+Off-Duty+Rest)	24 hours	<i>24 hours</i>
Maximum Driving Hours	11	<i>11 hours, but it may not be consecutive. No driving if more than 8 consecutive hours have passed since the last break of 30 minutes or more.</i>
Limit on Consecutive Hours Driving	None	
Mandatory Rest Break During Shift	None	<i>Drivers will not be permitted to drive if 8 hours have passed since their last break of 30 minutes or more, effective July 1, 2013</i>
Maximum Cumulative On-Duty	60 hours in 7 days 70 hours in 8 days* (*for carriers that operate 7 days a week)	<i>Same as current rule.</i>
Cumulative On-Duty "Restart"	<b>Voluntary:</b> 34 consecutive hours off-duty resets a drivers cumulative on-duty back to zero (or restarts a drivers 60 hour weekly clock) at any point in a driver's 7 day cycle	<i><b>Voluntary:</b> The minimum length of a restart period is 34 consecutive off-duty hours. The actual length of the restart period is variable since it must include two consecutive nighttime off-duty periods from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. Drivers are allowed to use this restart only once during any seven calendar day period. Effective July 1, 2013</i>



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<b>Sleeper Berth: Splitting Off-Duty Time</b>	<b>Team and Solo Drivers: 2 periods totaling <math>\geq</math> 10 hours; 1 period must be at least 8 hours in the sleeper berth; second period of time may be spent either in or out of the sleeper berth.</b>	<i>Same as current rule</i>
<b>On-Board Recorders</b>	Voluntary Use	<i>Same as current rule.</i>
<b>Federal Exceptions &amp; Exemptions</b>	All existing exemptions and exceptions remain.	<i>Slightly modified Oilfield exemption. New guidance explicitly removes water and sand haulers from exempted oil field carriers.</i>