

Florida law requires you to file one or more surety bonds or other form of security with the Florida Department of Revenue before a terminal supplier, importer, exporter, pollutant license may be issued. Instead of a surety bond, you may submit an assignment of time deposit, cash bond, or an irrevocable letter of credit.

To compute the bond(s) required for your license classification(s), complete the attached bond worksheet and include it with your *Florida Fuel or Pollutants Tax Application* (Form DR-156). If you have questions, please call the Account Management - Fuel Unit at 850-488-6800.

Fuel License Type	Bond Requirement	Background Investigation
Air Carrier	No	No
Blender	No	Yes
Bio-diesel Manufacturer	Yes	Yes
Exporter	Yes	Yes
Municipality, County, or School District	No	No
Mass Transit	No	No
Petroleum Carrier (Private/Common)	No	Yes
Pollutants	Yes	Yes
Retailer of Natural Gas (*not effective until 1/1/2024)	Yes	Yes
Terminal Operator Fuel	No	Yes
Terminal Supplier	Yes	Yes
Wholesaler	Yes	Yes
Wholesaler/Importer	Yes	Yes

## **Fuel and Pollutant Bond Requirements**

#### **Worksheet Instructions**

**Step #1:** Fuel Product Type (COLUMN 1). Identify the table(s) associated with the license type(s) that require a bond or or other security. Identify the fuel type(s) that you will deliver or import into Florida or export out of Florida.

Terminal Suppliers	Table A1
Wholesaler With EFT Authority* No Import Activity With Import Activity Export Activity	Table A1 Table A1 and Table B Table A1
Wholesaler Without EFT Authority* No Import Activity With Import Activity Export Activity	Table A2 Table A2 and Table B Table A1
Pollutants Exporters Natural Gas Retailer	Table C Table A1 Table D

\*EFT Authority — Allows wholesalers to withhold payment of tax to a terminal supplier until the 19th day of the following month in which the fuel was purchased.

Table D - For each natural gas fuel, estimate the average monthly pounds, cubic feet, and/or gallons of fuel to be removed from the first storage unit in Florida.



**Step #2:** Tables A1 and A2 - Terminal Suppliers, Wholesalers, and Exporters: For each fuel type, estimate the average monthly gallons of fuel to be purchased for delivery in Florida or for export.

Table B - Importers: For each fuel type, estimate the average daily gallons of fuel to be purchased for delivery in Florida.

 Table C - For each pollutant, estimate the average monthly gallons first removed from storage in Florida or first sold in Florida.

 All "COLUMN" change to Column

For each type of fuel or pollutant, enter the estimated number of gallons in COLUMN 2 of the applicable Table(s). Tables A1, A2, B, and C -

Step #3: Multiply the estimated gallons from COLUMN 2 by the tax rate(s) shown in COLUMN 3. Enter the result in COLUMN 4. Tax rates are published annually in Tax Information Publications posted on the Department's website at floridarevenue.com/taxes/tips or florid

**Step #4:** Multiply the result in COLUMN 4 by the number in COLUMN 5. Enter the result in COLUMN 6. This is your **bond amount.** 

Step #5: Attach the completed Bond Worksheet to your completed application (Form DR-156) (Under Step 3)

Bonds and Security To satisfy bond requirements, you must provide on *Fuel or Pollutant Tax Surety Bond* (DR-15 *Assignment of Time Deposit* (DR-157A) *Fuel or Pollutant Tax Cash Bond* (DR-157

An irrevocable letter of credit may be submitted to the Department of Revenue instead of a surety bond. An irrevocable letter of credit must contain the following:

- The Florida Department of Revenue must (Under Step 4)
- The expiration of the letter of credit must Table D Multiply the result in Column 6 by the number in Column ne-year period unless otherwise authorized in writing by 7. Enter the result in Column 8. This is your bond amount.

If the letter of credit is to cover more than one fuel product type, a cover letter of explanation must be provided.

At least 60 days prior to any expiration or termination of the letter of credit, the bank or savings association must notify the Department of the expiration or termination.

#### **Contact Us**

Information, forms, and tutorials are available on the Department's website at floridarevenue.com

If you have questions, contact Taxpayer Services at 850-488-6800, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

**For written replies to tax questions**, write: Taxpayer Services – MS 3-2000 Florida Department of Revenue 5050 W Tennessee St

Tallahassee FL 32399-0112

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The Department annually publishes the state and local motor fuel tax rates for each county and posts them at floridarevenue.con/taxes/rates in Tax Information Publications (TIPs) on Fuel Tax Rates. Exhibit B contains the motor fuel tax rate in the "Total Tax Imposed" column and the "Local Option Above Minimum" rate for each county. The annual TIPs are posted on the Department's website at floridarevenue.com/taxes/tips. Use the most recent annual TIP to determine the applicable tax rates for purposes of calculating the bond amount.

# Table A1Terminal Suppliers, Wholesalers with EFT Authority, and Exporters

Column 1 Product Type	Column 2 Estimated Average Monthly Gallons	Column 3 Tax Rate	Column 4 Tax Due	Column 5 Months	Column 6 Bond Amount
Motor Fuel		*\$	\$	3	(\$300,000 cap) \$
Diesel Fuel			\$	3	(\$300,000 cap) \$
Aviation Fuel			\$	3	(\$300,000 cap) \$

\* For a Single County: To calculate the Tax Due (Column 4), multiply the estimated average monthly gallons (Column 2) by the "Total Tax Imposed" (Exhibit B of the most current rate TIP) in the county where the product will be sold.

For Multiple Counties: Calculate the Tax Due (Column 4) using one of two methods:

• In Column 3, enter , the average tax imposed. Multiply the estimated average monthly gallons (Column 2) by

• For each county where the product will be sold, multiply the estimated average monthly gallons (Column 2) by the "Total Tax Imposed" (Exhibit B of the most current rate TIP) for that county to calculate the tax due. Total the tax due for each county and enter the total tax due for all counties in Column 4.

### Table A2 Wholesalers Without EFT Authority

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Product Type	Estimated Average Monthly Gallons	Tax Rate	Tax Due	Months	Bond Amount
Motor Fuel		**\$	\$	3	(\$300,000 cap) \$

Calculate the Tax Due (Column 4) using one of two methods:

• In Column 3, enter , the average local option tax above the minimum. Multiply the estimated average monthly gallons (Column 2) by to calculate the Tax Due (Column 4); or,

• For each county where the product will be sold, multiply the estimated average monthly gallons by the local option tax above the minimum (Exhibit B of the most current rate TIP) for that county to calculate the tax due. Total the tax due for each county and enter the total tax due for all counties in Column 4.

Table B Supplemental Bond for Importer License

Column 1 Product Type	Column 2 Estimated Average Daily Gallons	Column 3 Tax Rate	Column 4 Tax Due	Column 5 <sub>Days</sub>	Column 6 Bond Amount
Motor Fuel		***\$	\$	60	\$
Diesel Fuel			\$	60	\$
Aviation Fuel			\$	60	\$
Total Imported					Total Importer Bond for all 3 fuel types (No \$300,000 cap) \$

\*\*\* For a Single County: To calculate the Tax Due (Column 4), multiply the estimated average daily gallons (Column 2) by the "Total Tax Imposed" (Exhibit B of the most current rate TIP) in the county where the product will be sold.

For Multiple Counties: Calculate the Tax Due (Column 4) using one of two methods:

- In Column 3, enter , the average tax imposed. Multiply the estimated average daily gallons (Column 2) by to calculate the Tax Due (Column 4); or,
- For each county where the product will be sold, multiply the estimated daily gallons (Column 2) by the "Total Tax Imposed" (Exhibit B of the most current rate TIP) for that county to calculate the tax due. Total the tax due for each county and enter the total tax due for all counties in Column 4.

Add Table D after Table C See Table D on following page	See Rule 12B-5.400 Note: Statutory rate	Total Subject to Pollutants Tax	Ammonia	Solvents	Motor Oil and other Lubricants	Perchloroethylene	Crude Oil	Asphalt Oil, Chlorine, Pesticides, Petrochemicals, and Residual Oils #5 and #6	Diesel, Gasoline, Gasohol, and other Pollutants	Product Type	Column 1	DR-157W Page 4 of 1 5 R. XX/XX
india Form DR-156 Form DR-157 Form DR-1578 Form DR-1578 Form DR-904	See Rule 12B-5.400, F.A.C., <i>Producers and Importers of Pollutants</i> , and Form DR-904, <i>Pollutants</i> <b>Note:</b> Statutory rates for pollutants based upon barrels have been converted to a rate per gallon.				r			10, S,		Estimated Average Monthly Gallons	Column 2	
References The following documents are incorporated by refer indicated below. The forms are available online at florida Florida Fuel or Pollutants Tax Applica Fuel or Pollutants Tax Surety Bond Assignment of Time Deposit Fuel or Pollutants Tax Cash Bond Pollutants Tax Return	nporters of Polluta on barrels have be		0.000476				0.000476	0.000476	0.000476	Coastal Protection Tax Rate		
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	<i>urn,</i> for definitions of pollutants subject to tax. Before References add Table D Natural Gas Retailers (shown on next page)	Total Pollutant Bond (\$300,000 cap) \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Bond Amount	Column 6	

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Add form DR-309646N to the Reference above Rule 12B-5.500., F.A.C.

New schedule DR-157W	e for form	<b>S</b> 1	Table D       Natural Gas       Fuel				Form DR-157W R. XX/XX Page 5 of 5
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8
Product Type	Estimated Average Monthly Pounds, Cubic Feet, and/or Gallons	Conversion Rate 5.66 pounds	Estimated Average Monthly Motor Fuel Equivalent Gallons	Tax Rate	Tax Due	Months	Bond Amount
(pounds)		or 126.67 cubic feet		Ŷ	Ļ	5	Υ Υ
Compressed Natural Gas		126.67 cubic					
(cubic feet)		feet					
Liquefied Natural Gas		6.06 pounds		\$	\$	3	\$
Liquefied Petroleum Gas		1.35 gallons		\$	\$	3	\$
Total Natural Gas Fuel				\$	\$	3	Total Natural Gas Fuel Bond (\$300,000.00 Cap) \$

**Blended Natural Gas Products** - To calculate the estimated average monthly motor fuel equivalent gallons for blended natural gas products, segregate the portion of the blended product by product type and enter the results in column 2.

**For example:** You plan to disperse 15,200 pounds of compressed natural gas (CNG) combined with liquefied natural gas (LNG) each month. Your product is 45% CNG and 55% LNG. In this example, you would enter 6,840 pounds under CNG and 8,360 pounds under LNG in Column 2.

Multiply the value(s) entered in Column 2 by their respective conversion rate and enter the results in Column 4. Next, multiply the estimated average monthly motor fuel equivalent gallons by the applicable tax rate for each product type and enter the results in Column 6. Finally, multiply the results for each product type by 3 and enter the values in Column 8. Last, add the total bond amounts for each product type from Column 8 to get the total bond amount due.

See Rule 12B-5.500, F.A.C., *Natural Gas Fuel Retailers*, and Rule 12B-5.150, F.A.C., for Form DR-309646N, *Instructions for Filing Natural Gas Fuel Tax Return*, for definitions of natural gas fuel and motor fuel equivalent gallons. Rules can be found at **flrules.org**.