

Refunds for the Ready-Mixed Concrete Industry

Motor Fuel Tax Act

Do you operate a transit mixer or a concrete pump truck, or do you pump dry cement or flyash?

Do you need to know how to apply for a refund?

This bulletin provides specific tax information to help the ready-mixed concrete industry understand how the motor fuel tax applies to their business.

Refund of Motor Fuel Tax Paid on Clear Fuel Used in a Stationary Motor Vehicle

Transit Mixers

Clear fuel consumed in the engine of a stationary transit mixer is eligible for a refund of the difference between the clear and coloured fuel tax rates when consumed during the following activities, provided that the drum is rotating and the vehicle is stationary:

- warming up, waiting to load and loading,
- ticketing,
- waiting at the jobsite,
- unloading, and
- washing.

Generally, applicants may apply for a refund of the difference between the clear and coloured fuel tax paid for 50% of all fuel consumed in the engine of a transit mixer. Fuel consumed while the vehicle is travelling to and from the jobsite is not eligible for refund.

Concrete Pump Trucks

The *Motor Fuel Tax Act* also provides for a refund of the difference between the clear and coloured fuel tax rates for fuel consumed in the engine of a concrete pumping truck **while the unit is pumping ready-mixed concrete**. Refunds are not available for tax paid on fuel consumed in pumping units during warm-up, setting up, waiting (including waiting between pumping), cleaning, and driving to and from jobsites, because no concrete is pumped during these activities.

If the pump truck has a separate fuel tank connected to the pump engine, no refund is available because the separate tank could carry coloured fuel.

Generally, applicants may apply for a refund of the difference between the clear and coloured fuel tax paid for 50% of all fuel consumed in the engine of a pump truck.

Pumping Dry Cement or Flyash

The *Motor Fuel Tax Act* also provides a refund of the difference between the clear and coloured fuel tax rates for fuel consumed in the engine of a vehicle while pumping-off dry cement or flyash.

A consumption rate of 0.25 litres of fuel per tonne of dry cement or flyash is used to determine the amount of fuel eligible for the refund.

How to Apply for a Refund

Refund applicants are required to complete a *Stationary Engine Refund Application* form ([FIN 159](#)). For information on how to complete the application form, please see the instructions printed on page one of the form.

The application form outlines the specific supporting documents required for stationary engine refund applications. Please read this section of the form carefully as the supporting documents that are required by the ministry may vary, depending on industry type and activity.

The ministry must receive refund applications within four years from the date the motor fuel tax was paid. The ministry will not issue a refund of less than \$10.

Need more info?

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