



U.S. Department
of Transportation

Federal Motor Carrier
Safety Administration

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Extension for the Use of Paper Records of Duty Status for Users of Electronic Logging Devices Registered by ORBCOMM

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) grants an extension of time as authorized under 49 CFR 395.34 for any motor carrier using the Electronic Logging Device (ELD) model below that was registered by ORBCOMM. This extension allows the motor carrier's drivers to continue to use paper records of duty status in lieu of the ELD device until the 3G dependent devices are replaced with a compliant 4G or 5G device, per ORBCOMM's replacement plan. The device covered under this extension is as follows:

- 1.) Blue Tree ELD, ELD Identifier: BT500

**Note: Blue Tree ELD with the ELD Identifier BT504 are not covered under this extension.*

Drivers using the identified ELDs may continue to record their hours of service on a paper graph grid, in accordance with § 395.8, until ORBCOMM notifies FMCSA that the BT500 ELDs have been upgraded or by April 29, 2022, whichever occurs first. As a condition of this extension, a carrier must maintain this letter at the carrier's principal place of business and keep a copy in each vehicle with a malfunctioning ELD. A driver must make the copy of this document available to a safety official upon request.

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