

# Frequently Asked Questions

## Truck and Bus Regulation

### Single-Engine Water-Well Drilling Rig Vehicles

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**Q - What is a low use vehicle?**

A - A low-use vehicle is one that operates less than 1,000 miles per calendar year within California's borders, not including emergency use.

**Q - How do I take advantage of the low-use vehicle exemption?**

A - Each January you can designate which trucks will use the low-use exemption for the year. You must report vehicle information and odometer readings by January 31 of the compliance year or within 30 days of purchasing a vehicle. You must also report end of year odometer readings and when the vehicle is sold to demonstrate the vehicle met themileage limits. The vehicle owner must also report the miles the vehicle was used to support emergency events for any vehicle that exceeds the annual limits.

**Q - How are emergency events defined?**

A - Emergency events include wildfires, floods, and other natural disasters where the vehicle was dispatched by a local, state, or federal agency. During a drought state of emergency, it also includes drilling to replace existing water wells that have gone dry or to drill new wells to increase water supply availability.

**Q - Is the emergency drought situation considered an emergency event and is it still in effect?**

A - On October 19, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom [proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/10.19.21-Drought-SOE-1.pdf) (https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/10.19.21-Drought-SOE-1.pdf), such that the drought state of emergency is now in effect statewide.

**Q - Where can I get more information about the Truck and Bus regulation?**

A - Fact sheets, compliance tools, and regulatory documents about the Truck and Bus regulation are available on the [Truck and Bus Homepage](https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/truck-and-bus-regulation) (https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/truck-and-bus-regulation). If you have questions or wish to obtain this document in an alternative format or language, please call the Air Resources Board's diesel hotline at (866)-6DIESEL (634-3735). TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

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