

restrictions on a CDL or create its own restrictions using additional codes for additional restrictions, as long as each such restriction code is fully explained on the front or back of the CDL document.

Applicant's Request

The Massachusetts Department of State Police's application for exemption was described in detail in a **Federal Register** notice published on July 1, 2025 (90 FR 28851) and will not be repeated as the facts have not changed.

IV. Public Comments

The Agency received five comments, all in support of granting the exemption. All of the submitted comments emphasized the lack of infrastructure on Martha's Vineyard. Martha's Vineyard Public Schools said, "The Martha's Vineyard community does not have the infrastructure for applicant drivers to demonstrate the two sets of lane changes required by the CDL skills test." Island Energy, Inc., said, "The island has many rural roads that are narrow with posted low speed zones. There are no four lane roads anywhere on Martha's Vineyard but it is a challenging area to operate trucking."

Some of the commenters mentioned the cost burden of transporting commercial motor vehicles between Martha's Vineyard and the mainland of Massachusetts. The Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA) said, "The VTA, as well as other public and private operators of CDL vehicles, would be significantly impacted if we have to travel off island to complete the CDL test. It would cost manpower as well as tie up equipment to go off island. The impact of not being able to road test CDL applicants on Martha's Vineyard is an extremely expensive and a logistical nightmare." Carroll's MVRT commented, "We have a lot of interest from individuals wanting to obtain their CDL but are unable to because of the long commute time, expense and amount of effort."

V. FMCSA Decision

FMCSA has evaluated the Massachusetts Department of State Police's application for an exemption and exhibits, and the public comments. Based on its analysis, FMCSA has determined that granting the exemption will likely achieve a level of safety equivalent to, or greater than, the level that would be achieved absent such exemption, and grants the Massachusetts Department of State Police an exemption to use an alternative route to administer the part of the CDL skills test that requires a

demonstration of two sets of lane changes for applicants taking the CDL skills test on Martha's Vineyard. The State of Massachusetts must issue those drivers restricted CDLs limiting the drivers to operating a CMV on Martha's Vineyard. Allowing the Massachusetts Department of State Police to use an alternative route to administer portions of the safe on-road driving skills test and to issue restricted CDLs will address the infrastructure barriers while establishing safeguards to achieve an equivalent level of safety.

VI. Exemption

A. Applicability of Exemption

This exemption is applicable to the Massachusetts Department of State Police when conducting the CDL skills test on the island of Martha's Vineyard.

B. Terms and Conditions

The Massachusetts Department of State Police and drivers operating under this exemption are subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. The Massachusetts Department of State Police may waive only the following portions of the CDL skills test, as set forth in 49 CFR 383.113(c), that cannot be performed due to infrastructure limitations on Martha's Vineyard:

a. ability to signal appropriately when changing direction in traffic (49 CFR 383.113(c)(2)); and

b. ability to choose a safe gap for changing lanes, passing other vehicles, and for crossing or entering traffic (49 CFR 383.113(c)(4)).

2. The Massachusetts Department of State Police must comply with 49 CFR 383.133(b) and 383.135(a) of the knowledge tests standards for testing procedures and methods set forth in 49 CFR part 383, subpart H, and must continue to administer knowledge tests that fulfill the content requirements of subpart G.

3. Drivers applying for a CDL under this exemption must take the CDL skills test on the island of Martha's Vineyard.

4. Drivers issued a restricted CDL under this exemption may operate a CMV only on the island of Martha's Vineyard.

5. The Massachusetts Department of State Police must establish a new State CDL restriction, "R—Restriction," with the following description printed on the back of the license "Restricted to Martha's Vineyard." These restricted CDLs will not be valid for use anywhere other than on the island of Martha's Vineyard.

6. The drivers must comply with all other applicable Federal Motor Carrier

Safety Regulations (49 CFR part 350–399).

C. Preemption

In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31315(d), as implemented by 49 CFR 381.600, during the period this exemption is in effect, no State shall enforce any law or regulation that conflicts with or is inconsistent with this exemption with respect to a person operating under the exemption.

D. Notification to FMCSA

The Massachusetts Department of State Police must provide to FMCSA, upon request, a list of all drivers issued restricted CDLs under this exemption.

E. Termination

FMCSA does not believe that drivers covered by this exemption will experience any deterioration of their safety record. The Agency will, however, rescind the exemption if: (1) the Massachusetts Department of State Police or drivers operating under the exemption fail to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption results in a lower level of safety than was maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objective of 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315(b).

Derek Barrs,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number MARAD–2025–1224]

Aquaculture Support Operations Waiver Request for the Vessels COLBY PERCE, RONJA CARRIER, SADIE JANE, MISS MILDRED 1, and KC COMMANDER

AGENCY: Maritime Administration (MARAD), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to a delegation of authority from the Secretary of Transportation, the Maritime Administrator is authorized to issue Aquaculture Support Operations Waivers to U.S. documented vessels with registry endorsements or foreign flag vessels in operations that treat aquaculture fish or protect aquaculture fish from disease, parasitic infestation, or other threats to their health upon a

finding that suitable vessels of the United States are not available that could perform those operations. MARAD has received an Aquaculture Support Operations Waiver request and is publishing this notice to solicit comments that may assist MARAD in determining whether suitable vessels of the United States are available that could perform the proposed aquaculture support operations set forth in the request. A brief description of the proposed aquaculture support operations is in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below.

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 30, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Number MARAD–2025–1224 by any of the following methods:

- *On-line via the Federal Electronic Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search using MARAD–2025–1224 and follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail/Hand-Delivery/Courier:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590. Submit comments in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing.

Reference Materials and Docket Information: The complete application, including the aquaculture support technical service requirements, and all public comments may be viewed on the DOT Docket on-line via <http://www.regulations.gov> using the search MARAD–2025–1224. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket, including any personal information provided. The Docket Management Facility is open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Castillo, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W23–463, Washington, DC 20590. Email: William.Castillo@dot.gov. Phone: 202–366–2296. If you have questions on viewing the Docket, call Docket Operations, telephone: (800) 647–5527.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 46 CFR 106.115, vessel owners, operators, or charterers of U.S. documented vessels with registry endorsements or foreign flag vessels are required to provide prior notification to the United States Coast Guard (USCG) of aquaculture support operations in U.S. waters. The notification, in part, must include a copy of a MARAD-issued

Aquaculture Support Operations Waiver. Pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 12102(d), the Secretary of Transportation has the authority to issue Aquaculture Support Operations Waivers to U.S. documented vessels with registry endorsements or foreign flag vessels engaged in operations that treat aquaculture fish or protect aquaculture fish from disease, parasitic infestation, or other threats to their health after a finding that suitable vessels of the United States are not available that could perform those operations. The Secretary has delegated this authority to the Maritime Administrator.

MARAD has received an Aquaculture Support Operations Waiver request from Cooke Aquaculture USA, Inc. (Cooke) for the operations of the Canadian-flag vessels COLBY PERCE, RONJA CARRIER, SADIE JANE, MISS MILDRED 1, and KC COMMANDER. Cooke proposes, in part, “to use highly specialized foreign-flag vessels referred to as a ‘wellboat’ (or “live fish carrier”) to treat Cooke’s swimming inventory of farmed Atlantic salmon in the company’s salt-water grow-out pens off Maine’s North Atlantic Coast. This treatment prevents against parasitic infestation by sea lice that is highly destructive to the salmon’s health.” Cooke proposes to operate the vessels off Maine’s North Atlantic Coast from January 1 to December 31, 2026. Further details of Cooke’s proposed operations may be found in the waiver request posted in the docket.

The public may submit comments providing detailed information relating to the availability of U.S.-flag vessels to perform the proposed aquaculture support operations set forth in Cooke’s waiver request. Comments should reference the docket number of this notice, the vessel names, the commenter’s interest in the application, and address whether there are suitable U.S. vessels available to conduct the proposed aquaculture support operations.

Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), MARAD solicits comments from the public to inform its decision determining the availability of suitable U.S.-flag vessels to conduct the aquaculture support operations proposed in this notice. All timely comments will be considered; however, to facilitate comment tracking, commenters should provide their name or the name of their organization. If comments contain proprietary or confidential information, commenters may contact the agency for alternate submission instructions. Anyone can

search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). For information on DOT’s compliance with the Privacy Act, please visit <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(w).)

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By order of the Maritime Administration.

Gabriel Chavez,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Notice of OFAC Sanctions Actions

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC’s Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) based on OFAC’s determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: This action was issued on December 11, 2025. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for relevant dates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Associate Director for Global Targeting, 202–622–2420; Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance, 202–622–2490; or <https://ofac.treasury.gov/contact-ofac>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The SDN List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC’s website: <https://ofac.treasury.gov>.

Notice of OFAC Action

On December 11, 2025, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are blocked under the relevant sanctions authorities listed below.