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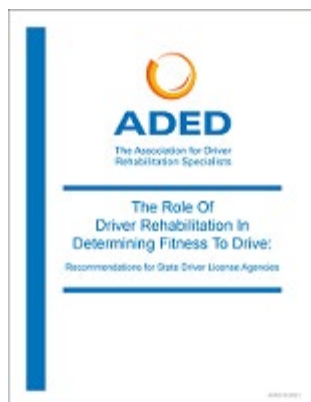


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AAMVA & ADED Release Recommendations for State Driver Licensing Agencies



The Association for Driver Rehabilitation Specialists (ADED)'s Government Relations Committee, chaired by Cassy Churchill, worked with representatives from AAMVA to develop [Recommendations for State Driver License Agencies](#). These guidelines offer guidance to state driver license agencies regarding the role of the driver rehabilitation specialist providing evidence, via comprehensive driving evaluations, to support fitness-to-drive decisions for medically at-risk drivers.

The publication will be featured at AAMVA's [2021 Virtual Workshop & Law Institute](#) in a special panel session hosted by Elizabeth Green, ADED Executive Director, Cassy Churchill, ADED Government Relations Committee Co-Chair, and Taylor Bee, NHTSA.

[Click here](#) to download your copy and share with your state licensing administrators. Start the conversation locally and build a relationship between driver licensing and driver rehabilitation services today!

FEATURED NEWS

Jurisdiction Response to COVID-19

[Click here](#) to view consolidated information and see how motor vehicle administrations are handling driver licensing and vehicle registration. This document will be updated with the most current information on our [homepage](#).

Motor Vehicle Industry Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

Below is a selection of news articles regarding the effects of coronavirus on the motor vehicle community.

COVID-19 | NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE

- [Vehicle Deaths Reached 13-Year High in 2020: National Safety Council](#)



OUR EVENTS

MARCH

16-18 | [2021 Virtual Workshop & Law Institute](#)

APRIL

5 | [2021 April AAMVA Combined Standing Committees Meeting](#)

21-22 | [2021 April Board of Directors Meeting](#)

SYSTEMS TRAINING

MARCH - PDPS

16 | [PDPS State-to-State and NDR-Generated Transactions \(intermediate\)](#)

17 | [PDPS Clean File Processing \(intermediate\)](#)

19 | [PDPS Identity Correction \(intermediate\)](#)

AAMVA also offers systems trainings on-demand for members through our new Learning Management System (LMS). [Click here](#) to see available courses.

OUR WEBINARS

MARCH

16 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site](#)

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- [Congress OKs \\$1.9 Trillion COVID Relief Bill](#)
- [Trucking Groups Ask To Make Truck Stops Vaccination Sites](#)
- [Study: The Effect of Human Mobility and Control Measures on Traffic Safety During COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [CVSA Cancels North American Inspectors Championship in Minnesota](#)
- [Traffic Volumes Continue to Climb Amid Pandemic](#)
- [How Is the COVID-19 Vaccination Campaign Going in Your State? \(US Vaccine Tracker\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccination Tracker \(Canada\)](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE

- [11 MVC Agencies Now Closed as COVID Continues To Impact NJ Sites \(New Jersey\)](#)
- [County DMV Remains Shut Down for COVID \(New York\)](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Despite Pandemic, 300,000 Expected at Florida Motorcycle Rally](#)
- [At Texas Driver License Offices, Employees and Customers No Longer Have To Wear Masks](#)
- [Temporary Waivers To Register Vehicle, Renew Driver's License Will Soon Expire \(Texas\)](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Department of Public Safety Opens Saturday Times for Licenses and State ID Renewal \(Minnesota\)](#)
- [DMV Offering Three New Online Services \(Nebraska\)](#)
- [South Dakota Sees an Increase in Traffic Deaths in 2020 Compared To 2019](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE

- [2020 Saw Decrease in Traffic, but Increase in Arizona Roadway Deaths](#)
- [Officer Who Stopped Mrs. Roadshow Was Unaware of New DMV Guidelines \(California\)](#)
- [Regular Business Operations Resume at Bonneville Drivers License and Motor Vehicle Registration \(Idaho\)](#)
- [Nevada DMV Adds Appointments at Two Las Vegas Valley Offices, Recruits More Staff](#)
- [DMV Expands Services To Hispanic Community \(Nevada\)](#)
- [MVD Expands Online Appointment Scheduling \(New Mexico\)](#)

Visit [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) for more information on [COVID-19](#), [guidance](#), [press releases](#), [press kits](#), and more.

REGION 1 NEWS

A Delaware Mobile ID Is Now a Reality

The Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is now offering digital identification through a smartphone app. Delaware Mobile ID will allow the state's approximately 800,000 residents with a driver's license or ID card to store that information on their smartphone. A pilot program for the mobile identification was announced about three years ago. [Read more at wdel.com.](#)

DMV Urges Drivers To Check To See if Their Vehicle Is the

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APRIL

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Subject of a Recall (New York)

The New York State Department of Motor Vehicles says drivers should check to see if the car, truck, or SUV they are driving is the subject of a safety recall. This week marks National Vehicle Safety Recalls Week. “Every recall is serious and can affect you and others on the road, so if you own a vehicle, it is very important that you make sure it is safe,” said DMV Commissioner Mark J.F. Schroeder. [Read more at news10.com.](#)

REGION 2 NEWS

Bill: Vision Screenings Would Be Required To Renew Driver's Licenses (Kentucky)

A bill that would require vision screenings for Kentucky drivers renewing their licenses advanced out of the Senate Transportation Committee on Wednesday. “This is a very common-sense piece of legislation that will save lives by ensuring Kentuckians have the necessary visual acuity to operate motor vehicles,” Rep. Kimberly Poore Moser (R-Taylor Mill) said of the legislation, known as House Bill 439. [Read more at rcnky.com.](#)

Louisiana Highway Safety Commission: Check Your Vehicle for Any Safety Recalls

In recognition of Vehicle Safety Recalls Week, the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission is encouraging every vehicle owner to make a quick, free check of their car or truck for any recalls that could impact the vehicle’s safety. “More people are starting to make travel plans, so this is an opportune time to check on any vehicle recalls that have been issued by car manufacturers or the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration,” LHSC Executive Director Lisa Freeman said. [Read more at myarklamiss.com.](#)

Sons of Confederate Veterans Sue NC Over Battle Flag License Plate (North Carolina)

The North Carolina chapter of the Sons of Confederate Veterans filed a lawsuit against the State of North Carolina on Monday over the decision to stop issuing license plates featuring the Confederate flag. The state’s Division of Motor Vehicles discontinued the specialty plates in January, citing their potential offensive nature of the symbolism. [Read more at wbt.com.](#)

Texas Lawmaker Drafts Bill To End Practice of the State Selling Driver License Info for Profit

Texas is making millions of dollars per year selling your personal information to companies and state agencies. A discussion of the practice came up recently in a Senate Finance Committee hearing. While testifying before the committee about their budget, Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Col. Steve McCraw was asked whether this was actually happening. “We are selling driver’s license records,” McCraw responded to State Senator Robert Nichols question. [Read more at radio.com.](#)

Proposed Texas Law Would Protect Trucking Companies if Their Driver Hits You

Jay Rosenberg will never forget the call. In Oct. 2018, Rosenberg’s wife and

daughter, Leslie and Sophie, were on their way from Westlake to College Station, where Sophie was a sophomore at Texas A&M University. When a tanker truck pulled out across all lanes of the highway, in the darkness of night, Leslie and Sophie were pinned beneath the trailer...Now, he's worried about a new effort by the trucking industry to overhaul injury liability in Texas. [Read more at ktsm.com.](#)

REGION 3 NEWS

Seat Belt Check Leads To Criminal Charges for Driver of Tractor-Trailer (Indiana)

Following a traffic stop earlier this week, an Indiana man has been arrested and is facing multiple charges, according to the Indiana State Police (ISP). At about 5:54 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, ISP Lt. T.J. Zeiser stopped a 2010 Volvo tractor, which was pulling an enclosed trailer, on U.S. 31 near Miami County Road 200 North near Peru. The driver, later identified as Omar Muhammad, 48, of Indianapolis, was reportedly not wearing a seat belt. [Read more at thetrucker.com.](#)

IDEMIA Mobile ID for Iowa DOT Passes UL's mDL Conformity Assessment

IDEMIA today announced that its Iowa Mobile ID (mID) applications for iOS and Android have successfully passed UL's mDL assessment of conformity against the requirements of ISO/IEC DIS 18013-5. This confirms that IDEMIA's mID applications for the Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT) meet the world's most advanced standard for mobile driver's license and mobile ID. [Read more at insidenova.com.](#)

Goodyear Announces Collaborative Project To Enhance Traffic Safety (Ohio)

Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. has announced its part in a pilot project near Columbus focused on making both vehicles and traffic safer...The research will monitor eight vehicles equipped with Goodyear tires embedded with special sensors to help identify transportation issues. The real-time data collected, including tire pressure and temperature, will help enhance mobility technology to prevent roadside breakdowns and improve safety and handling. [Read more at radio.wosu.org.](#)

Wisconsin Man Gets Driver's License Photo Taken With Half of a Beard

A Wisconsin driver's license has people talking. Experimental music producer Peter Woods, had his ID photo taken with only half of a beard. Woods said he got it at a Milwaukee DMV last week. He says he thought of the idea years ago because nobody could really say anything if that's how he chose to have his facial hair. [Read more at cbs58.com.](#)

Officials Call \$202,000 Towing Bill a Textbook Example of a Scam (Wisconsin)

A Wisconsin motor carrier got a big surprise when one of its tractor-trailers hauling a truckload of cheese had to be pulled from a ditch on I-64 in central Virginia: A \$202,000 removal and towing bill. "We all fell off our chairs," said

Eric Van Handel, the president of Kaukauna, Wis.-based Midwest Carriers, when he saw the bill. He immediately suspected he was being overcharged for a removal and towing that he claimed was pretty routine. [Read more at tnews.com.](#)

REGION 4 NEWS

Alaska Senators Skeptical Over Dunleavy Administration's Plan To Privatize Rural DMVs

The state-run Division of Motor Vehicle offices in Haines, Homer, Valdez, Tok, Delta Junction and Eagle River would be eliminated under a plan presented Thursday by Department of Administration Commissioner Kelly Tshibaka...The agency pledged to avoid layoffs, and Tshibaka said the state would still collect its normal fees but allow a private vendor to charge extra. [Read more at ktou.org.](#)

Senate Passes Bill Adding New Steps To Vote by Mail (Arizona)

Currently, voters must only sign the return envelope they use to return their early ballots and write their phone number. Election officials who have undergone training in signature verification compare voters' signatures to the ones they have on file to confirm their identities...The legislation, sponsored by Sen. J.D. Mesnard, R-Chandler, would require voters to include proof of identification to the affidavit they sign, which would go inside the return envelope. [Read more at azmirror.com.](#)

California Reviewing Tesla's 'Full Self-Driving' Feature After Company Clarifies Its Limits

California regulators continue to review an update to Tesla's Autopilot feature that enables vehicles with a \$10,000 "Full Self-Driving" option to do things like steer themselves on city streets. Tesla says that, despite the name, the software doesn't offer a level of autonomous capability that requires state approval. [Read more at forbes.com.](#)

Missing Your Front License Plate? You Can Be Cited, Even on a Tesla (California)

Roger Recupero of Pomona reported that all the Tesla cars he and his wife have seen out and about are missing a front license plate. "We keep seeing more and more of them around town and on the road. The last time I checked, California required both front and rear license plates. Does Tesla have a special agreement that exempts them from the law?" Recupero asked. [Read more at pe.com.](#)

State Tech Agency, DMV Seek Vendors for Multi-Phase Solicitation (California)

The California Department of Technology, on behalf of the Department of Motor Vehicles, seeks IT vendors to respond to a three-phase solicitation that will focus, for now, on occupational licensing – but is part of a larger project that will later include vehicle registration and driver licensing. A linchpin state agency is asking assistance from IT vendors on the first stage of a multi-part project. [Read more at techwire.net.](#)

OTHER NEWS

Crash Trends a 'Concern,' FMCSA Officials Say at Safety Meeting

Speeding, distracted driving, work zone accidents and a lack of seat belt use in fatal truck-occupant crashes remain "areas of concern" among federal trucking regulators, according to a top official at the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. Those challenges are joined by the persistent uptick in recent years in the number of heavy truck-involved fatal crashes, said Bill Bannister, chief of FMCSA's analysis division. [Read more at ttnews.com.](#)

Make Sure Your REAL ID Info Is Coming From 'Real' Source

The Better Business Bureau is warning consumers not to fall for Real ID card scams. The launch of the new personal identification system in the United States is being targeted by scammers to steal from victims. The final deadline for introduction of the new cards is approaching, with many people confused about the requirements. This allows scammers to take advantage. [Read more at thenewsenterprise.com.](#)

Cars' Adaptive Cruise Control Raises Crash Risks, U.S. Study Finds

Adaptive cruise control systems on cars, which control braking and speed, raise the risk of traffic crashes because the technology leads drivers to go faster, a U.S. study found on Thursday. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety found that drivers using adaptive cruise control (ACC) were more likely to set a target speed that was over the limit because of the perception that the system enhanced their safety. [Read more at reuters.com.](#)

FMCSA Chief Joshi: Drivers Will Take Hit From Automated Trucks

How the move toward driverless trucks will affect the truck driver workforce is a challenge that must be addressed whether the timeline toward full automation ends up short or long, according to the nation's top truck safety regulator...In January the U.S. Department of Transportation, at the request of Congress released a preliminary study assessing the affect automated driving technologies would have on the truck-driver workforce. [Read more at freightwaves.com.](#)

Traffic Safety Administration Warns of Potentially Deadly Airbags During Vehicle Safety Recalls Week

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), one in four vehicles on the road has an unrepaired recall. NHTSA has designated March 8-12 as Vehicle Safety Recalls Week because every vehicle recall is serious and affects your safety. One of the most urgent and dangerous recalls open is for defective Takata airbags. [Read more at mywabashvalley.com.](#)

What Happened When Waymo Reenacted Real Fatal Car

Crashes With Its Autonomous Vehicle

Waymo's autonomous vehicles were put through the gnarly paces of 72 simulations of fatal crashes for safety research. The Google spinoff company, which operates its self-driving car service in the area just outside Phoenix, released a study Monday showing how its autonomous vehicles would respond during unsafe driving situations. [Read more at mashable.com.](#)

Ohio, California Lawmakers Ask for Postal Truck Contract Investigation

Two Ohio Democratic Congressmen and one from California are asking President Joe Biden's administration to halt the U.S. Postal Service's recently awarded contract with Oshkosh Defense to upgrade the service's aging fleet of delivery vehicles. Rep. Marcy Kaptur (D-Ohio) is leading the charge, asking Biden's administration to investigate whether or not political influence played a role in Oshkosh winning the potential multi-billion-dollar contract. [Read more at todaysmotorvehicles.com.](#)

TRB Webinar: Texting While Driving – Implications of Legislation on Electronic Devices

Using electronic devices while driving is unsafe, but legislation and enforcement is inconsistent throughout the United States. TRB will host a webinar on Monday, March 15, 2021 from 1:00-2:30 PM Eastern that will review current electronic device use laws and enforcement strategies. Presenters will discuss public awareness strategies and successes in various jurisdictions. They will also identify key deliverables designed to share best practices with stakeholders. [Read more at trb.org.](#)

TWITTER NEWS

Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community on social media. You may be surprised at what you're missing! Here are a few highlights of last weeks' activity.

Washington State Department of Licensing @WA_DOL | [View the Tweet](#)

The pandemic changed how we work and deliver services, but our resolve never wavered. Thank you to each one of DOL's 1,325 employees for their steadfast commitment to helping Washingtonians live, work, drive, and thrive. Happy #EmployeeAppreciationDay!

#PublicService #TeamDOL



EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY

Our people are working hard to find new, safe, and equitable ways to support our purpose of **helping every Washington resident live, work, drive, and thrive**. My deepest thanks to every DOL employee for their dedication to public service!



Teresa Bernsten, DOL Director



Oregon State Police @ORStatePolice | [View the Tweet](#)

Take it from our Superintendent, who didn't let anything stop her from rising to the top. She is the 1st women to lead OSP. "All women should stand proud & be recognized, today & every day!" shared Davie- <http://bit.ly/3v8DKrk>

#InternationalWomensDay



CHP Headquarters @CHP_HQ | [View the Tweet](#)

In recognition of Women's History Month, @go2MissionSC has selected Commissioner Amanda Ray as a recipient of the 2021 Mission College Women in Leadership Award during its annual Women in Leadership conference. We congratulate Commissioner Ray and thank her for her leadership!



RCMP Alberta @RCMPAlberta | [View the Tweet](#)

From Feb 22-28 we issued 148 distracted driving tickets. This week our officers were given an "extra-cheesy" excuse when a driver said they were "busy ordering pizza". While we understand craving a slice, order only when it is safe to do so. There's no excuse for risking safety.



NCDOT @NCDOT | [View the Tweet](#)

@NCSecState Elaine Marshall honors #NCLT100

- 9 million+ registered vehicles
- 250+ #NCDMV License & Theft employees
- 100 years of service!



LA State Police @LAStatePolice | [View the Tweet](#)

Throughout many years, Louisiana State Police Troopers have partnered with medical professionals from around the state to educate our Louisiana teen drivers through a program called Sudden Impact.

<https://facebook.com/269483096401621/posts/4577019942314560/?d=n>



FHP SWFL @FHPSWFL | [View the Tweet](#)

VERY fortunate there were no serious injuries involved. Car ran a stop sign & collided with a school bus transporting children this morning in Lehigh Acres. Please drive cautiously at all times & abide by all traffic laws!



VermontDMV @VTDMV | [View the Tweet](#)

FMCSA Orders Repeated DUI Offender Off The Road After Latest 'Egregious Violation' as a result of a roadside safety inspection conducted by an enforcement officer with the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles.
<http://ow.ly/4GI750DXdf1>



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Happy #InternationalWomensDay from team MDOT MVA! Though these photos were taken over a year ago, these are the same smiling faces looking to provide you with premiere customer service. #MDOTCares





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