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AAMVA Needs Your Input for Our New Website!

As you may know, we have been working on redesigning our website, www.aamva.org. We're testing some navigation concepts for the new site and would like your feedback. It'll only take 10 minutes or less, and you don't have to be familiar with AAMVA's current website to participate. [Just click here to do the exercise.](#) We appreciate your input!

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

COVID-19 | NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE

- [Mexican Residents Form Blockade to Protest U.S. Travelers](#)
- [Transportation Chain: Emerging Technologies and Trends in Trucks, Trucking and the Supply Chain](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE

- [NJ MVC Offices Will Be Open Six Days a Week to Address Massive Backlog \(New Jersey\)](#)
- [Three More States Added to New York's Quarantine Mandate: List Now Includes 19 States](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Changes Start July 6 for Kentucky Driver's License Extensions](#)
- [Positive COVID Test Closes 4 Louisiana OMV Offices](#)
- [Some OMV Offices Remain Closed Across State \(Louisiana\)](#)
- [Face Masks to Become Mandatory at DMV \(Mississippi\)](#)
- [Texas Vehicle Title and Registration Remains Waived Due to COVID-19, TxDMV Says](#)
- [Texas DPS Expands In-Person Services at Driver License Offices, Offers Saturday Appointments](#)



OUR EVENTS

The 2020 Annual International Conference (AIC), as well as the Region 1, Region 2, Region 3, and Region 4 conferences are cancelled. Visit our [website](#) for the full cancellation list.

JULY

28 | [Region 1 Annual Membership Meeting](#)

30 | [Region 2 Annual Membership Meeting](#)

30 | [Region 4 Annual Membership Meeting](#)

31 | [Region 3 Annual Membership Meeting](#)

SEPTEMBER

1 | [AAMVA Annual Membership Meeting](#)

SYSTEMS TRAINING

*Register for the following training sessions [HERE](#).

JULY - CDLIS

14 | [CD01 Search Inquiry \(intermediate\)](#)

15 | [CD02 Verification Inquiry \(intermediate\)](#)

16 | [CD05 AKA Data Inquiry \(intermediate\)](#)

21 | [CD07 Add New Driver \(intermediate\)](#)

22 | [CD09 Change Data \(intermediate\)](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Illinois Driver's License, Registration Expiration Dates Extended](#)
- [Governor Announces Executive Orders on Driver's License Extension, Adult Care Home Licensure \(Kansas\)](#)
- [Minnesota Will Offer Driver's License Knowledge Test Scheduling](#)
- [Ricketts' Order on Driver Licenses, Vehicle Titles Will End Aug. 31 \(Nebraska\)](#)
- [Governor Amends Certain Extensions on Renewals & Titling Newly Acquired Vehicles \(South Dakota\)](#)

COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Lyft's Autonomous Vehicles Return to California](#)
- [Shafter DMV Closed After Employee Tests Positive for COVID-19 \(California\)](#)
- [Driver's Ed Classes, Behind-The-Wheel Training Can Resume August \(Hawaii\)](#)

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

REGION 1 NEWS

Zebley Makes History as 1st Female Delaware State Police Superintendent

Lt. Col. Melissa Zebley has been appointed as the Superintendent of Delaware State Police, becoming the first woman to assume the command. Zebley takes over at the helm after Col. Nathaniel McQueen Jr. retired and was confirmed as Secretary of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security on May 27, 2020. "Lieutenant Colonel Zebley has served the Delaware State Police and the citizens of the state of Delaware with distinction." McQueen said in a written statement. "She will continue to build on the foundation and the rich history of the Delaware State Police as she guides the agency forward." [Read more at wdel.com](#).

As Massachusetts Reopens, Lynn Police Are Reminding Drivers of the Hands-Free Law

Police in many cities and towns across Massachusetts say that, as the state reopens, along with the holiday weekend, they are seeing more people on the roads. With that, people are distracted and on their phones...Right before the pandemic hit, Massachusetts became a hands-free while driving state. [Read more at boston25news.com](#).

Canada Day Week Traffic Safety Results (Ontario)

All available members of the South Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) actively participated in the OPP Canada Day Week traffic safety campaign which took place from June 27 to July 5, 2020. The campaign focus was on safety equipment use along our roadways, waterways and trails. Officers also targeted inattentive drivers, aggressive drivers and alcohol/drug impaired drivers. [Read more at iheartradio.ca](#).

Potential Driver Crashes Into Penn Hills Driver's License Center While Learning to Drive (Pennsylvania)

A potential new driver's lesson didn't quite go according to plan on Thursday night in Penn Hills. According to Penn Hills Police Chief Howard Burton, a non-licensed

23 | [CD15 Update AKA Data \(intermediate\)](#)

28 | [CDLIS Resolving Duplicate Pointers \(advanced\)](#)

29 | [CD14 Mark Driver Unique \(intermediate\)](#)

30 | [CD10 Delete Master Pointer Record \(intermediate\)](#)

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OUR WEBINARS

JULY

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

15 | [Mobile Driver's License \(mDL\) Interoperability](#)

16 | [Conference Session Series: Best Practices for Regulating Internet Vehicle Sales](#)

21 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)

22 | [Conference Session Series: NHTSA Odometer Disclosure Requirements](#)

23 | [NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) – Part 1](#)

29 | [Conference Session Series: People First: Assisting Customers with Special Needs](#)

AUGUST

4 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Understanding the Administrative Features](#)

5 | [Conference Session Series: Impacts of Hemp and CBD Legalization](#)

driver was learning how to drive in the Penn Hills Shopping Center when they crashed into another vehicle and then the driver's license center. [Read more at pittsburgh.cbslocal.com.](#)

REGION 2 NEWS

Fayette Clerk Turns Driver's License Operations Over to State Facility (Kentucky)

The Fayette Circuit Court Clerk driver's licensing office has closed and driver's licensing operations in Fayette County have transitioned to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Lexington Regional office located at 141 Leestown Center Way in Lexington, the clerk's office said Wednesday. While the clerk's licensing office is closed, it will assist until July 31, 2020, by processing renewal and replacement applications for driver's licenses or ID's that expired or were lost between March 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020. [Read more at wtvq.com.](#)

New Leadership Team Announced to Lead Department of Public Safety (Mississippi)

Commissioner Sean Tindell of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety announced his leadership team today. "Since my arrival on June 1st, I have been assembling a leadership team to help carry out my vision and goals for the agency," said Commissioner Tindell. "There are many challenges ahead, but I am confident that the group assembled will help guide the agency during these uncertain times we are currently facing. Their combined years of work experience in law enforcement and other relevant areas will be extremely beneficial to the employees of the Department and to the citizens of our state." [Read more at einnews.com.](#)

700 Tennessee License Plates Lost After March Tornadoes

The tornadoes that ravaged Middle Tennessee did more than take lives and destroy property. The storms created a unique problem for law enforcement after hundreds of Tennessee license tags got sucked into the vortex. The license plates hadn't been assigned to any motorists and were waiting to be sent to county clerks around the state, as determined by The Department of Revenue...That issue became known to Belle Meade P.D. when an LPR camera hit on a plate that caused some confusion. Chief Tim Eads said, "We had a hit on a stolen plate. It turned out to be a bit of an anomaly." [Read more at wkrn.com.](#)

Despite Less Traffic, Virginia Sees Uptick in Unbelted-Related Deaths During Pandemic

Despite less traffic on the roads due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Virginia has seen an uptick in unbelted-related crash deaths. "We have all observed some drivers practicing unsafe behaviors with less vehicles on the roadways, but the most disturbing trend is that more people are dying because they are not making the simple decision to click their seat belts," said Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Commissioner Richard D. Holcomb, the Governor's Highway Safety Representative. [Read more at nbc12.com.](#)

REGION 3 NEWS

Missouri Receives \$12,000 Grant to Help Stop High-Risk Impaired Driving

For the sixth consecutive year, the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) and the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility (Responsibility.org) are awarding grants to help states keep Americans safe from the most dangerous impaired drivers. The new grants will expand the nearly 2,000 officers trained in drug-impaired driving detection through the first five years of the partnership. [Read](#)

6 | [NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(Web Service Version\) – Part 1](#)

12 | [Conference Session Series: Digital Service Delivery](#)

13 | [NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(Web Service Version\) – Part 2](#)

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

19 | [Conference Session Series: Analytical Tools for Investigating Internal and External Fraud](#)

20 | [NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) – Part 1](#)

25 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)

26 | [Strengthening Every Link in the Chain from Ticket to License Action](#)

27 | [NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) – Part 2](#)

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[more at kmmo.com.](#)

Highway Patrol Releases Holiday Traffic Numbers (Ohio)

The State Highway Patrol has over 22,000 traffic stops and 425 OVI arrests. “So, in years past, that’s not a generally high figure but because of Corona Virus limitations, restrictions, things like that, numbers were a little bit lower this year than normal,” OSHP Trooper Brice Nihiser said. Trooper Nihiser says that the patrol did have to deal with its share of fatal accidents over the weekend. [Read more at whiznews.com.](#)

REGION 4 NEWS

Restrictions on Personalized License Plates "Offensive to Good Taste and Decency" Likely Unconstitutional (California)

A federal court in California has allowed a First Amendment challenge to go forward, and the reasoning suggests that the plaintiff will eventually win. The decision by Judge Jon S. Tigar in *Ogilvie v. Gordon* (N.D. Cal.) concludes that the personalized license plates (unlike license plate background designs) are private speech, not government speech. [Read more at reason.com.](#)

Oregon Completes REAL ID Driver's License Availability Throughout the United States

Keeping IDentities Safe, a Washington D.C. based non-profit, congratulates Oregon Department of Transportation, Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division (DMV) Administrator Tom McClellan for the successful upgrade to an ultra-modern driver's license processing system which meets the REAL ID security requirements. Beginning Monday, July 6th Oregon DMV accepts applications for REAL ID driver's licenses or state issued IDs. [Read more at prnewswire.com.](#)

DMV2U: Oregon DMV Launches New Online Services Website

The Oregon DMV launched a new tool on Monday to help people schedule appointments from their computer or smart phone. The new system is called DMV2U. On the new system, Oregonians will be able to schedule an appointment, replace a lost or stolen ID, order a driving record, pay a reinstatement fee, and even get a Real ID. [Read more at kptv.com.](#)

OTHER NEWS

Operation Safe Driver Week with Christopher Turner, CVSA

Operation Safe Driver Week, an annual initiative led by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, begins July 12. And just like last year, enforcement officers will place a particular emphasis on speed. Christopher Turner, the CVSA's director of crash and data programs, sat down with editorial director John G. Smith to discuss why speed is a particularly relevant focus during Covid-19, why there is a need for a dedicated week to focus on high-risk driving behaviors, and the gaps that exist in crash data. [Read more at trucknews.com.](#)

Transportation Funding Bill Would Increase FMCSA Budget

A federal trucking regulator would receive \$881 million for operations during the next fiscal year under legislation a House panel approved July 8. House Democrats' proposed allocation for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration would be a \$202 million increase from the fiscal 2020 enacted level. The proposed funding

would amount to \$179 million more than the president's current request, which was a nearly 4% increase from the previous year. [Read more at ttnews.com.](#)

Tesla 'Very Close' to Level 5 Autonomous Driving Technology, Musk Says

U.S. electric vehicle maker Tesla Inc (TSLA.O) is "very close" to achieving level 5 autonomous driving technology, Chief Executive Elon Musk said on Thursday, referring to the capability to navigate roads without any driver input. "I'm extremely confident that level 5 or essentially complete autonomy will happen and I think will happen very quickly," Musk said in remarks made via a video message at the opening of Shanghai's annual World Artificial Intelligence Conference (WAIC). [Read more at reuters.com.](#)

Study Finds Back Seat Drivers Can Be Useful

Despite the fact that most drivers have complained about back seat drivers offering unwanted advice, a new study has found that sometimes it can be useful - but it often depends on whether that advice has been sought or not. Back seat drivers can even help prevent serious accidents says Samuel Charlton, who is a professor of psychology at the University of Waikato and also a co-author of research for the Automobile Association. [Read more at rnz.co.nz.](#)

Do Marijuana Legalization Efforts Give a False Sense of Safety?

Operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs is a major safety issue, especially for commercial truckers. It is important for carriers to pinpoint the telltale signs of marijuana use and enforce anti-drug-use policies in the workplace. [Read more at fleetowner.com.](#)

Autonomous Driving Startup Turns Its AI Expertise to Space for Automated Satellite Operation

Hungarian autonomous driving startup Almotive is leveraging its technology to address a different industry and growing need: autonomous satellite operation. Almotive is teaming up with C3S, a supplier of satellite and space-based technologies, to develop a hardware platform for performing AI operations onboard satellites. [Read more at techcrunch.com.](#)

Safety Last? Driver-Assist Features That Are Most Often Switched Off

A growing number of vehicles in virtually all classes and price points either come standard with or are offering a sophisticated range of driver-assist features engineered to help motorists avoid getting into crashes. These include automatic emergency braking, and blind spot and lane departure warnings, along with adaptive cruise control and lane-keeping assist systems that bring vehicles a step closer to autonomous driving. [Read more at forbes.com.](#)

TWITTER NEWS

@AAMVAConnection has been watching the twitter feed and decided to highlight some of the tweets here. Links are provided within most of the tweets, and we have also provided a link to each tweet as well. Note that you do not have to have an account or sign in to Twitter to view the message posts, images associated with the post, and the reach of the message (retweets, favorited, etc.).

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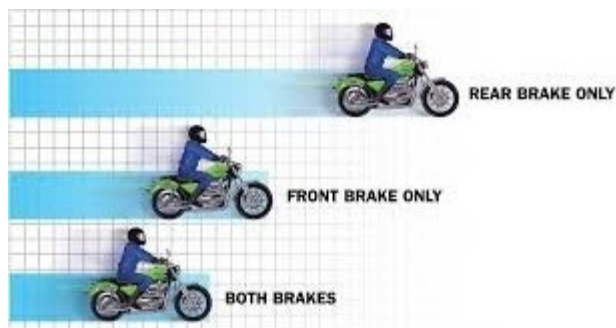
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Registration is now open for the CVSA Virtual Fall Conference, scheduled for Sept. 21-25, featuring committee, region and program meetings in an easy-to-use and engaging online environment with video collaboration, live polling, agendas and much more. <https://cvsa.org/eventpage/events/cvsa-virtual-fall-conference/>



Georgia DDS (DMV) @GeorgiaDDS | [View the Tweet](#)

Most experts agree that roughly 70 percent of braking effort should go to the front wheel, and 30 percent to the rear. By using both brakes, you decrease your stopping distance substantially.



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Texas Department of Motor Vehicles @TxDMV | [View the Tweet](#)

Watch out, auto burglars and thieves! Texas communities are fighting back.



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

Motorists & law enforcement both play a role in ensuring traffic stops remain safe.

DPS Commissioner John Harrington believes updates to the Minnesota Driver's Manual announced Monday outline expectations that will improve safety for everyone.

More: <http://ow.ly/qNKm50As03H>.



Wisconsin DOT @WisconsinDOT | [View the Tweet](#)

MASKS = SAFETY: Wisconsin DMV is taking precautions to protect customers. All employees and examiners are wearing face coverings. Floor decals and plastic panels at service windows promote social distancing. #MaskUpWisconsin



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