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**New “T” Restriction Code for Ignition Interlock Available**

The “T” restriction code, which serves as an indicator of the motor vehicle record for an ignition interlock restriction, is available with the latest SPEXS release and is also published in the SPEXS System Specification (published 11/2020) and PDPS System Specification (published 1/2021). This restriction code will be shared by various systems used by motor vehicle administrations and law enforcement. In addition to this code, jurisdictions may have an additional icon or indicator displayed on the credential. In jurisdictions where multiple agencies have the authority to require an ignition interlock device, clear communication and coordination among the various entities are essential to ensure that all necessary license restrictions and record entries are accurately posted. Therefore, the 2018 Ignition Interlock Working Group recommendation, as published in the [Ignition Interlock Program Best Practices](#) document, is that jurisdictions adopt the “T” ignition interlock restriction code and display the restriction code on the front and/or back of the issued driver’s license.

If you have any questions regarding the new “T” restriction code or any Ignition Interlock-related questions, please contact [Jessica Ross](#), AAMVA’s Driver License Compact and Reciprocity Program Director, Driver Programs, or [Brian Ursino](#), AAMVA’s Director of Law Enforcement.

**FEATURED NEWS**

**TSA Plans for Airport Biometrics, MDLs Hinted at in DHS Webinar (AAMVA Mention)**

America appears to be moving steadily towards allowing travelers to perform biometric checks with their smartphones with mobile driver’s licenses (mDLs), as discussed in a video produced by the Department of Homeland Security’s (DHS’s) Science and Technology (S&T) directorate...The discussion was moderated by DHS S&T Chief of Media and Community Relations John Verrico, and featured panelists Jason Lim, manager of TSA’s Identity Management Capability, DHS S&T Biometrics and Identity Technology Center Director Arun Vemury, and Mike McCaskill, director of Identity Management for the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA). [Read more at biometricupdate.com.](#)



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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

- [5 Ways To Get Digital Proof of COVID Vaccination Status—Even if You Live in a Red State](#)

### COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Mass. Traffic Is Back to Pre-Pandemic Levels, but at Different Times and Routes \(Massachusetts\)](#)
- [Boston Transportation Leaders Speak on Sharing Spaces, Investing in Communities Post-COVID \(Massachusetts\)](#)
- [New York Will Require State Workers To Be Vaccinated or Undergo Weekly Testing](#)
- [Easy Driver: Getting a DMV Date Just Got Easier \(Washington, DC\)](#)

### COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Montgomery County Faces Staffing Shortages as Pandemic Lingers \(Texas\)](#)
- [Traffic Fatalities in Texas Continue Concerning Trend](#)
- [DMV Customers Report Months-Long Waits for Appointments in Fairfax County \(Virginia\)](#)

### COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- [Masks Required in Illinois Secretary of State Offices Starting Monday](#)

### COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE

- [California To Require Vaccination or Testing for State Employees and Health Care Workers](#)
- [Denver County DMVs To Keep Customers Waiting Outside, Even When Pandemic Ends \(Colorado\)](#)

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

## REGION 1 NEWS

### Baker Names Permanent Secretary of Transportation for Mass. (Massachusetts)

Jamey Tesler, who has been serving as acting state transportation secretary of Massachusetts since January, will remain in the position on a permanent basis, the Baker administration announced Tuesday. [Read more at nbcoboston.com](#).

## REGION 2 NEWS

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## Here Are Louisiana's Seven Strategies To Cut Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The Louisiana Climate Initiatives Task Force - charged with finding ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that lead to hotter temperatures, higher seas and more intense storms - adopted seven high-level strategies Thursday for reaching a goal of "net zero" carbon emissions in the state by 2050. [Read more at nola.com.](#)

## Texas Legacy Systems To See \$900M in Modernization Fund

Recently signed legislation will ramp up the state's cybersecurity and legacy system upgrades through the newly created Technology Improvement and Modernization Fund. The new law takes effect Sept. 1. [Read more at govtech.com.](#)

## REGION 3 NEWS

## Indiana 'Trooper in a Truck' Day Nabs Texting, Speeding Drivers

Who would have suspected that four tractor-trailers rolling down Indiana interstates earlier this month had a state trooper in the passenger's seat? Certainly not the nearly 300 motorists issued tickets and warnings...under the watchful eye of a "trooper in a truck" observing their dangerous roadway behaviors. [Read more at ttnews.com.](#)

## Minnesota Becomes Latest State To Adopt California Clean Car Standards

Minnesota has become the latest state to adopt California clean car standards; the new standards were finalized by a notice in the state register on Monday. The policy will implement two clean cars standards to reduce vehicle emissions. [Read more at greencarcongress.com.](#)

## Transportation Officials Add Dozens More Self-Serve Kiosks (North Dakota)

The North Dakota Department of Transportation has added dozens of self-serve kiosks around the state to help residents avoid what can sometimes be a long wait at the motor vehicle stations. [Read more at myjournalcourier.com.](#)

## REGION 4 NEWS

## 'Charlie's Law' Would Use DMV To Bolster Marrow Donor Registry (California)

Inspired by a local donor drive...a South Bay lawmaker is proposing using the DMV to diversify and increase the national bone marrow database and drastically improve the prognoses of people who need stem cells to treat their diseases. [Read more at mercurynews.com.](#)

## New Restriction on Background Checks in California

The California Court of Appeal has ruled that date of birth and/or a driver's license number cannot be used to identify individuals in an electronic search

of the criminal index of court records...This ruling complicates and further restricts how and even whether (from a practical standpoint) employers can conduct lawful background checks on job applicants and employees. [Read more at natlawreview.com.](#)

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### **CDOT Shares True Stories of Horrific Crashes To Get People To Buckle Up (Colorado)**

Grab a tissue. CDOT is releasing new videos narrated by victims or family members in Colorado in which the decision to buckle up - or not - was life changing. The goal of telling the stories is to reach people who may not buckle up and influence them to do so. [Read more at codot.gov.](#)

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### **Speeding Car Narrowly Misses Workers in Construction Zone (Saskatchewan) (Video)**

A construction crew working near Maymont, Sask., could only watch and try to get out of the way as a speeding car drove erratically toward them in a closed lane..."I never expected this guy to be coming up as fast as he did on me and I was just deciding which way I had to run," he said...The car eventually hit another red car, propelling it into the ditch, and then sideswiped a black car. [Read more at cbc.ca.](#)

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## **OTHER NEWS**

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### **Automakers To Join Biden in 40 Percent Electric Vehicle Pledge: Report**

Three major automakers will reportedly join President Biden in a promise to make 40 percent of car sales electric by 2030. The Washington Post reported on Thursday that Ford, General Motors and Stellantis, which was previously known as Fiat Chrysler, will offer support for a shift to electric vehicles making up 40 to 50 percent of their new car sales. [Read more at thehill.com.](#)

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### **When Captives Become Cargo: How Transportation Professionals Can Disrupt Human Trafficking (Podcast Episode)**

An efficient transportation network is central to the success of any commercial enterprise, including those that aren't legal. Our roads and bridges enable the scourge of human trafficking, but as Research Engineer John Haberman tells us, those who manage the network can play a part in disrupting that heinous activity. [Read more at tti.tamu.edu.](#)

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### **Trucks Move Past Cars on the Road to Autonomy**

IN 2016, THREE veterans of the still young autonomous vehicle industry formed Aurora, a startup focused on developing self-driving cars. Partnerships followed with major automakers, including Hyundai and Volkswagen. CEO Chris Urmson said at the time that the link-ups would help the company bring "mobility as a service" to urban areas—Uber-like rides without a human behind the wheel. [Read more at wired.com.](#)

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### **Algorithm Could Improve How Self-Driving Cars Take on Narrow Streets**

Drivers find a way to negotiate narrow streets, but not always without close calls and frustration. Programming an autonomous vehicle (AV) to do the



same—without a human behind the wheel or knowledge of what the other driver might do—presented a unique challenge for researchers at the Carnegie Mellon University Argo AI Center for Autonomous Vehicle Research. [Read more at route-fifty.com](https://route-fifty.com).

## 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.



Indiana BMV  
@INBMV

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Isn't it nice to get a hand-written letter in the mail? Our South Meridian branch associate, Caleb, received a lovely note from a customer whom he recently helped. Great work, team!





Drive Safe Kansas - KDOT  
@DriveSafeKansas



Everyone give it up for Donnie!

#safedriver  
#savinglives

Werner Enterprises @One\_Werner · Jul 28

Since 1989, Donnie has been safely serving America. During the height of the pandemic, he reached an elite safety milestone... 3,000,000 accident-free miles! We recently were able to recognize Donnie and his achievement. Congrats, Donnie!



Massachusetts RMV Retweeted



Jacquelyn Goddard  
@JacqueGoddard



Acting Registrar Colleen Ogilvie, (second from left), spoke on @MassRMV new customer initiatives at School Transportation Association of MA conf.

@MassRMV  
[schoolbus.org/annual-convent...](https://schoolbus.org/annual-convent...)





Our MDOT MVA bus is back on the road and taking appointments for August! Click here to schedule an appointment Rightwards arrow [bit.ly/3xXEIkJ](https://bit.ly/3xXEIkJ).

Read more in our newsroom Rightwards arrow [bit.ly/3eJx0tx](https://bit.ly/3eJx0tx). #MDOTDelivers



Last year, 130 people died in crashes involving a commercial motor vehicle, and most of those were drivers or passengers of other vehicles. Take a look at these tips for driving safely around CMVs, and learn more in this week's edition of Express Lane: [conta.cc/3ypCMIs](https://conta.cc/3ypCMIs)



Michigan DOT Retweeted



@MSPNorthernMI  
@mspnorthernmi

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There is no such thing as a speed trap. Speed limits are clearly posted and you should not be a surprised if you're pulled over for traveling 23 mph over.



Ohio Bureau Motor of Vehicles  
@Ohio\_BMV

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Thanks @SybrinaFair for the kind words! We really like the Get in Line, Online program too!

SybrinaFair @SybrinaFair · Jul 27

A huge shout-out to @Ohio\_BMV for it's online get-in-line option! It is really slick. Thank you so much!

Now, getting my 86 year-old, technically-challenged dad successfully checked in... Well, that was totally on us. I'm proud to say, "Mission Accomplished"

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Everyone deserves accessible routes. It's our mission to provide a safe/reliable transpo. system that allows people to connect with their communities whether they drive, walk, ride or bike.

Hear the meaning of #ADA31 for users & the challenges they face:

Accessibility work at ODOT  
At least 22% of Oregon adults have disabilities affecting their mobility. Inaccessible sidewalks and street crossings can be obstacles not only for them, but for any member of the community. Across the state, Oregon is improving more than 25,000 curb ramps so that everyone has access.

youtube.com  
Accessibility work at ODOT  
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Congrats to Timothy Osenbough!

Timothy is the AAMVA IDEC Examiner of the Year! Way to go Timothy!

Annually, the (IDEC) Board and AAMVA recognize outstanding examiners. Each member jurisdiction nominates one examiner for outstanding performance as a driver's license examiner.





This video from our neighbors to the east is a good reminder not to text or drive. #keepSDsafe



youtube.com  
Eight Seconds: One Fatal Distraction  
It's a story about eight seconds that forever changed the lives of two families. Eight seconds a distracted driver wishes he could take back. In the Minnesota...

VermontDMV Retweeted



#VT has suffered 6 reported fatal crashes so far this month. We fear that these were largely avoidable deaths. No seat belt use, speed, & suspected impairment are the preventable variables in these pictured events.

72% of highway deaths this year involved unbelted occupants.



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