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New Webinar: NHTSA Odometer Rule Changes Disclosure Exemption from Ten Years to Twenty Years and Allows for Electronic Odometer Disclosure

Tuesday, November 12, 2019, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

During this webinar, we will hear from NHTSA about the odometer disclosure final rule, effective date of December 31, 2019, that changes the odometer disclosure exemption from model year vehicles 10-years old to 20-years old as well as allows the option for jurisdictions to capture odometer disclosures electronically without petitioning NHTSA. [Read more at register.gotowebinar.com](https://register.gotowebinar.com).

REGION 1 NEWS

The Wait Is Over: Bongsi Magubane '76 Is Determined to Fix the Connecticut DMV (Connecticut)

Apart from the IRS, is there any government agency as universally dreaded as the Department of Motor Vehicles? In Connecticut, things at the DMV hit a notorious low point in 2015, when the department shut down for a week to install a new computer system, and snafus in the reboot triggered days of six- and seven-hourlong wait lines. Such is the challenge facing the department's new commissioner, former Aetna IT specialist and UConn alum Sibongile Magubane '76 (CLAS). [Read more at magazine.uconn.edu](https://magazine.uconn.edu).

Medical Form No Longer Required to Change Gender on Driver's License (Maine)

People who want to change the gender listed on their driver's license or state identification card no longer have to present a supporting statement from a medical provider. Now, a person undergoing gender reassignment or who does not identify as male or female may fill out a form available on the agency's website without having to obtain a statement from a doctor, Secretary of State Matthew Dunlap said Tuesday. [Read more at bangordailynews.com](https://bangordailynews.com).

How Maryland Ranks for Pedestrian Traffic Deaths

Maryland ranks 13th in the country based on pedestrian fatality rates in the first six months of 2018, according to a new report from the Governors Highway Safety Association. The safety organization looked at pedestrian traffic deaths in every state to see which had the highest rates. The group broke down the information by total number of fatalities, fatality rates per 100,000 people, and the percent change from the same time period in 2017. [Read more at patch.com](https://patch.com).

State's Road Fatalities Are Way Down From 2018, Except

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for Motorcycles (New Hampshire)

New Hampshire's rate of road fatalities this year has fallen sharply from 2018's near-record pace, returning to the level of 2017, with one exception: motorcycles. As of this week, 26 motorcycle operators and 3 passengers have been killed in crashes on New Hampshire roads, which is one more death than at this point last year, and is almost twice the number of motorcycle deaths seen in all of 2017. [Read more at concordmonitor.com](#).

NJ Issues Important Update on Driver's License Changes, Real ID (New Jersey)

More changes have been made and additional services are now available to anyone who needs to obtain the REAL ID and take care of the big changes you need to make to your New Jersey driver's license...The Motor Vehicle Commission says it is fully operational for obtaining the REAL ID – by appointment only – in South Brunswick, Trenton, Eatontown, Delanco, Medford, Cherry Hill and Bayonne. The MVC is testing REAL ID in eight additional agencies, according to Sue Fulton, chief administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission. [Read more at patch.com](#).

Push to Get Pennsylvanians the Real ID Made at Erie International Airport (Pennsylvania)

This Friday, the push for the REAL ID was made in Erie County, as the County Executive, Erie Mayor and Executive Director of the Erie International Airport talked about the forthcoming change. EIA Executive Director Derek Martin, says, "The real push is in the State of Pennsylvania. Only 400,000 people have the REAL ID. Last year, 22 million people got on planes here in the commonwealth. So, that means we have a long way to go." [Read more at erienewsnow.com](#).

Elite Runner's Close Call Inspires Road Safety Campaign (Rhode Island)

Elite marathoner Kaitlin Goodman's mantra is "run joyfully," but when a distracted driver forced her to leap to safety, it didn't spark joy – it tore her hamstring and nearly dashed her Olympic dreams. Bruised, bloodied and bewildered, Goodman channeled her anger into "Safe on the Road," a campaign she launched last week to help pedestrians and motorists coexist on the nation's roadways. [Read more at durangoherald.com](#).

REGION 2 NEWS

JTA Tests First ADA Accessible Autonomous Transit Vehicle in the US (Florida)

JTA's autonomous vehicle program for Jacksonville's urban core is coming together, marking a new milestone on Thursday. The transit agency is testing what it says is the first Americans with Disabilities Act accessible autonomous vehicle in the U.S. [Read more at news.wjct.org](#).

Oklahoma to Issue Real IDs in Spring 2020, Mandatory to Fly Next October

In a news conference at the Transportation Security Administration checkpoint at Tulsa International Airport, Oklahoma Secretary of Public Safety Chip Keating and Department of Public Safety Commissioner John Scully addressed how as many as 650,000 state residents will get REAL IDs before the Oct. 1 federal deadline. "We will be rolling out a very, very comprehensive marketing plan, and we'll begin that process in mid-December," Keating said. [Read more at tulsaworld.com](#).

Digital Drivers Licenses Launch in Oklahoma

Through the launch of a new program, drivers in Oklahoma now have access to use

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a digital drivers license as a form of identification. Individuals can access their digital license using the Oklahoma Mobile ID app, which is available through Google Play and the App Store. For Oklahomans interested in using the service, you must have your physical drivers license available to update the current information for the app. [Read more at fourstateshomepage.com.](#)

South Carolina Continuing to Phase in New Trackable Temporary License Plates

"North Carolina has been doing it for years," Campbell said. "Georgia has been doing it for years. South Carolina is now doing it how it should be done." The new temporary license plates have a unique alphanumeric code that can be traced back to the owner of the newly purchased vehicle. The South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles introduced these new temporary tags in May. The old temporary tags didn't contain much information on them. They just had an expiration date usually written with a marker. [Read more at wbtv.com.](#)

Tennessee to Hire 80 New Employees, Consider Outsourcing to Help Ease Driver's License Wait Times

To help alleviate issues with Tennessee's driver's license facilities, the state Department of Safety and Homeland Security is looking to hire 80 employees, expand hours of operation, consider outsourcing some operations and implement recommendations from a more than decade-old study. That's what the agency's top official, Commissioner Jeff Long, told Gov. Bill Lee and his administration Wednesday while outlining the department's budgetary needs for the upcoming fiscal year. [Read more at tennessean.com.](#)

Randall County Sheriff Appointed to Board of Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

Governor Greg Abbott has appointed Randall County Sheriff Joel W. Richardson to the Board of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles for a term set to expire on Feb. 1, 2021. Richardson has been the Randall County Sheriff for 19 years. He has served as Chairman of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement since 2011 and is a member of the Texas Jail Association, Texas Police Association, Sheriff's Association of Texas, National Sheriff's Association and the National Emergency Number Association. [Read more at abc7amarillo.com.](#)

For 19 Years-1 Person Has Died Every Day on TX Roads (Texas)

November 7, 2000 was the last deathless day on roadways in Texas. That means for 19 years straight, at least one person has died every single day. That's why TxDOT and Texas Transportation Commission officials will hold a press conference in Houston on Thursday morning, launching the #EndTheStreakTX campaign that asks all Texans to join the effort to end this deadly 19-year streak. [Read more at focusdailynews.com.](#)

REGION 3 NEWS

BMV Receives Awards From American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (Indiana)

The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) announced...the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) has presented the BMV with two awards at the organization's Region 3 conference in Milwaukee, WI. The BMV received the Innovative Use of Technology Award for the Growth of BMV Connect in 2018. [Read more at heartfordcitynewstimes.com.](#)

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[AAMVA RFP FY21 - 21104: 2021 March Workshop & Law Institute](#)
Deadline: November 15, 2019

[AAMVA RFP FY-21-21222: 2020 October Combined Standing Committee Meeting](#)
Deadline: November 15, 2019

[AAMVA RFP FY20-21221 2020 April S2S Governance Committee Meeting](#)
Deadline: November 18, 2019

[AAMVA RFQ FY20-21062: Consulting Support for Mobile DL Final](#)
Deadline: November 22, 2019, 5pm ET

[AAMVA RFP FY20-17376: Investment Management Services](#)
Deadline: November 26, 2019, 5pm ET

Michigan Drunk Driving Deaths Down, Study Shows

According to the most recently available data from the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration, the number of drunk driving deaths in Michigan is on the decline. A new report published by [butlerwootenpeak.com](#) breaks down the numbers for each state, showing the drunk driving fatality rates per 100,000 population. [Read more at hollandssentinel.com.](#)

Minnesota DMV to Change Drivers Test Appointment Scheduling in 2020

More changes are coming for people trying to get their driver's licenses in Minnesota. You can now book appointments up to six months in advance. Starting next year, there will no longer be standing appointments for students taking a road test through a driving school. Upgrades to the online scheduling system now let people change an appointment, get confirmations, and verify their eligibility. [Read more at minnesota.cbslocal.com.](#)

Everything You Need to Know About Real ID in Missouri

The deadline to get a gold star on your driver's license and upgrade to Real ID is quickly approaching...Beginning October 1, 2020, you must have a Real ID-compliant driver's license or state-issued identification card in order to pass through TSA checkpoints. "Military identification cards are one, passports, passport cards and then if you go to [www.tsa.gov](#) you'll see that there's a list of others that are on there," said Assistant Federal Security Director Charles Kirkland said. [Read more at ozarksfirst.com.](#)

New Department of Motor Vehicles System Hopes to Improve Service for Car Owners (Nebraska)

Hall County residents will see improved service at the Department of Motor Vehicles thanks to the implementation of a new statewide system, according to Hall County Treasurer Alaina Verplank. Verplank, whose office oversees the DMV, said the new system, called VicToRy, was fully implemented on Oct. 15. VicToRy, which pays homage to the old system — Vehicle Title Registry (VTR) — with the capital letters in its name, replaces the previous system, which has been in place since the early 1990s. [Read more at theindependent.com.](#)

NDDOT Launches Plan to Improve Driver's License Services (North Dakota)

The North Dakota Department of Transportation has announced a plan to improve customer service and wait times at driver's license offices. The plan, called "Drive ND," consists of renovating and expanding various driver's license operations over the next few months. "Drive ND" focuses on seven key steps. [Read more at kvrr.com.](#)

Enhanced Ohio Driver's Licenses Starting to Catch On

Following a publicity push by the state, more Ohio drivers are starting to opt for the higher-security driver's license that soon will be required to get through airport security, [cleveland.com's](#) Andrew Tobias reports. "For each of two weeks — including last week — following the Oct. 11 launch of the campaign, 45% of Ohioans who renewed their driver's licenses or got new ones got the new, enhanced ID," Tobias writes. But overall, since the new ID became available in July 2018, that rate is just 30 percent. [Read more at cleveland.com.](#)

DPS: South Dakota's Real ID System Meets Federal Requirements

State officials say South Dakota is now more than 99 percent compliant in its push to meet the federal government's deadline for Real ID licensing plan. Gov. Kristi Noem made the announcement Thursday...While many states are working to reach

the federal compliance deadline of Oct. 1, 2020, South Dakota began issuing Real ID compliant licenses and identification cards on Dec. 31, 2009. Noem says as of mid-October 2019, the state had issued more than 676,000 Real ID compliant driver licenses and more than 62,000 Real ID compliant identification cards. [Read more at ksfy.com](#).

REGION 4 NEWS

Analysis: 70% of Arizona Wrong-Way Drivers Were Sober at Time of Incident (Arizona)

Arizona Department of Public Safety officers are alerted to wrong-way drivers an average of three times per day. And when they catch up to those drivers, they find that fewer than half of them are impaired. That is according to a CBS 5 Investigates analysis of wrong-way driver calls since January 2017. And it goes against the common perception that a vast majority of wrong-way drivers are drunk or on drugs. [Read more at azfamily.com](#).

California DMV Data Breach Exposed Thousands of Drivers' Information, Agency Says

A data breach at the California Department of Motor Vehicles may have exposed some drivers' Social Security number information to seven government entities, according to the DMV. The breach affects about 3,200 individuals over at least the last four years, the agency said in a statement. The DMV insists it was not hacked and information was not shared with private individuals or entities. [Read more at cnn.com](#).

Colorado Could Soon Change Iconic License Plates

A bill has been proposed that might give Colorado's iconic "white mountains, green sky" license plates a facelift, reverting to the design once used roughly 20 years ago. Prior to Colorado's current license plate design, the color scheme was flipped featuring green mountains and a white sky. If the bill passes, the switch to these "green mountain, white sky" plates would take place starting January 1, 2021 for plates that expire on that day or after. [Read more at outtherecolorado.com](#).

City Opens More Appointments for Driver License and State ID Renewals (Hawaii)

The City is making it easier to obtain a REAL ID. An additional 100 slots per day have been opened for residents to book appointments to renew a driver's license or state identification card. The additional appointment slots bring the available total to nearly 750 bookings per day to help residents seeking the REAL ID star in a gold circle before the deadline of October 1, 2020. [Read more at kitv.com](#).

Body Outlines on Las Vegas Area Roads Are Pedestrian Safety Warning (Nevada)

As the days get darker, a new campaign aims to encourage drivers and pedestrians to look out for one another on Las Vegas Valley roads. The Dusk to Dawn Pedestrian Awareness campaign quietly launched last week with volunteers drawing body outlines on streets where pedestrians have been killed. "For this eye-opening project the effect that we were going for was for people to understand, as you drive the normal routes you go in our community, that you're traveling over sacred land where a lot of pedestrians have lost their lives," [Read more at newsnowvegas.com](#).

SGI Focuses on Suspended Drivers and Uninsured Vehicles This November (Saskatchewan)

SGI's November Traffic Safety focus of the month is on suspended drivers and uninsured vehicles. SGI's Tyler McMurchy says the consequences can be steep.

"Potential consequences for driving while suspended include immediate vehicle impoundments, court summons for charges either under the Traffic Safety Act or Criminal Code and those carry with them potential fines and or jail time." [Read more at 620ckrm.com.](#)

New Tool to Help Regina Police Combat Cannabis-Impaired Driving (Saskatchewan)

Regina police are getting more help to combat cannabis-impaired driving. The force is adding a second roadside drug-screening device, the SoToxa Mobile Test System. Like the Drager DrugTest 5000, which police brought in in January, the new tool works to detect marijuana through oral samples and provides results in a matter of minutes. [Read more at globalnews.ca.](#)

OTHER NEWS

Drug/Alcohol Clearinghouse Delay: Bad Move for Truck Safety?

As the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) considers staggering deadlines for its Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse, industry experts warn that millions of dollars in safety benefits could hang in the balance...A decision by the agency on whether to delay implementing part of the rule is expected soon, given the current implementation deadline of Jan. 6, 2020. The American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA), which represents state driver licensing agencies (SDLAs), requested the delay. AAMVA has data privacy and other operational concerns about the clearinghouse, and the FMCSA wants to extend the deadline for SDLAs another three years, until Jan. 6, 2023, to provide time to alleviate those concerns. [Read more at freightwaves.com.](#)

National Transportation Safety Board Says Critical Changes to Roads Needed to Protect Bicyclists

The National Transportation Safety Board says critical changes to the nation's roadways are needed to better protect bicyclists amid a spike in fatal crashes involving motorists and bikes, according to a release issued Tuesday by the federal agency. [Read more at masslive.com.](#)

End of Daylight Saving Time Leads to Increased Risk of Car Crashes

There is an increased risk of car crashes for several weeks following the end of Daylight Saving Time due to new lighting conditions during peak commute times and changes to sleep patterns, according to research from AAA Colorado. With the days being shorter and darkness falling earlier in the evening, people's commute home from work will likely be in the dark, which poses a risk to drivers, said Skyler McKinley with AAA Colorado. [Read more at 9news.com.](#)

US Travel to Press: Include REAL ID Deadline in Thanksgiving Travel Coverage

The U.S. Travel Association is making a direct appeal to the American news media: please mention the October 1, 2020 deadline for REAL ID enforcement in this year's round of Thanksgiving travel stories. By next Thanksgiving, the mandate to possess a REAL ID-compliant identity document for air travel will be in full effect—and about 57% of Americans are completely unaware of that deadline, according to data released by U.S. Travel in September. [Read more at ustravel.org.](#)

When Both Drivers Are in Error, People Blame the Human One More

Pedestrian deaths are on the rise overall, as cars become safer for drivers but more

dangerous for everyone else. Sophisticated pedestrian detection systems, which are becoming more common in cars, aren't doing particularly well. Some of them score highly on easier tests in broad daylight, but they do not fare so well in more difficult conditions like low light. When a driver shares the blame for a pedestrian death with an automated car, how do people assign blame? A study in Nature Human Behaviour this week suggests that people may focus their ire on the human in a shared-control situation. The authors argue that this could result in an under-regulation of the safety of shared-control vehicles. [Read more at arstechnica.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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From our team to your ghouls and goblins, the Colorado DMV wishes everyone a #safe and happy #Halloween.



Arizona DOT @ArizonaDOT | [View the Tweet](#)

SMALL CAR - Some people like big cars, or maybe a truck. Others prefer something sporty. And then there are people like ADOT Motor Vehicle Division Director Eric Jorgensen who get a vehicle that, well, might be a tad too small!

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Ohio State Patrol @OSHP | [View the Tweet](#)

Must watch video: Her OVI arrest turned into a friendship with one of our troopers and a commitment to recovering from alcoholism. She even sends the trooper a 'Thank You' card every year!



Positively Cincinnati: How an OVI arrest changed two lives for the better

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Happy Halloween from some of our Deputy Registrar agencies!



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

The #Halloween spirit was alive and well at #VirginiaDMV customer service centers throughout #Virginia yesterday! Alice, Cruella, a few M&Ms, the Women in Black, a group of superheroes and a cast of other characters all made appearances in hopes of making our customers smile.



SCDMV @SC_DMV | [View the Tweet](#)

This past Friday, on October 25, 2019, #SCDMV employees participated in the Director's Walk with @SCDPS_PIO in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month! SCDMV Director, Kevin Shwedo, and SCDPS Director Office of Professional Responsibility, Chief Phelps, led this walk.



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In support of Breast Cancer Awareness and workplace health, the Community Corrections District 12 office held a "pink day" celebration. Money was raised during the celebration to benefit a local charity. #WeAreNCDPS



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

DDS is doing its part to contribute to the State Charitable Contributions Program. Donations from events such as our Costume Fashion Show will be going towards a good cause. #GADDSCares #SCCP



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ICYMI: Administrator Nizer discusses customer service, #RealID and traffic safety at the 2019 Consolidated Transportation Program for Montgomery County. #MDOTCTPtour



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