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AAMVA's MOVE Magazine has gone all-digital for our spring issue! You can visit here to see all the content you're used to enjoying in our printed magazine in a brand new way. From features on foreign reciprocity and traffic incident management, to messages from AAMVA leaders, and much more, the digital MOVE is ready for you to explore! Read more here.

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

- FMCSA Extends, Modifies HOS Emergency Declaration
- FMCSA Extends Pre-Employment Drug Testing Waiver
- How Emerging Technologies Can Help in Crisis Response
- What the New Normal for Trucking Will Be Remains a Question
- TRB Webinar: A Research Roadmap for Transportation and Public Health
- Emergency Policies Curbed US Virus Infections by 60 Million, Study Finds

COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE

- CDLIS 3-Yr Calc for Serious (advanced)

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- Reopening Maryland: MVA Now Open by Appointment for Learner’s Permits, Driving Tests, Other Transactions at Select Branches
- New York DMV Reopening: What You Need to Know, From Road Tests to License Renewals
- DMV Offices to Reopen Monday for In-Person Road Test Appointments (Vermont)

COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE

- DDS Advises Online Resources for Driver Licensing (Georgia)
- Department of Public Safety Reopens Offices (Mississippi)
- State Legislature Moves Forward Bill That Could Ease License Restrictions During COVID-19 (North Carolina)
- Virginia DMV Opening up More Customer Service Centers Next Week

COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- Online Preregistration Available For Driver’s License, ID Card To Cut Down Time At DMV (Illinois)
- You Will Soon No Longer Need an Appointment to Go to the BMV, Here Are Other Changes. (Indiana)
- Minnesota Driver’s License Renewal Website Back up After Being Overwhelmed
- Ohio BMV: Driver’s License Testing to Resume June 12 at Select Locations, All Locations Resume June 16
- Remainder of SD Driver License Exam Stations to Open June 15 (South Dakota)

COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE

- ICBC Set to Resume Road Tests for Commercial Licences (British Columbia)
- All 169 DMV Offices Reopen in California, With New Limits
- Partners Help ITD Address DMV Backlog (Idaho)
- ITD to Provide Free Commercial Driver’s License and Heavy Equipment Operator Training (Idaho)
- Nevada DMV Offices to Reopen Monday
- Oregon DMV Extends Grace Period for Expired Licenses Through at Least Oct 1
- Oregon DMV Detours Around Phone Logjam, Gets More Time for REAL ID Licenses

Visit cdc.gov for more information on COVID-19, guidance, press releases, press kits, and more.

REGIONS 1 NEWS

Here’s When State Police Will Target Aggressive Drivers in ‘Speed Week’ Detail (New York)

“Speed Week” is back, as New York State Police troopers plan a weeklong crackdown on speeding, distracted and aggressive drivers in New York. The weeklong enforcement will begin on Thursday, June 11, running through Wednesday, June 17, with New York State Police troopers patrolling highways, including work zones to target drivers violating "Move Over" laws. Read more at dailyvoice.com.

RCMP Offer up Motorcycle Safety Tips (Nova Scotia)

With motorcycle season in full swing, it’s the perfect time for riders to make sure their bikes are in good shape and they have the protective clothing needed to ride...
Motorcycle Fatalities in Ontario up Compared to Last Year

The OPP is reporting that motorcycle-related deaths on patrolled roadways are up 300 per cent compared to this time last year. Officers say in May there have been four deaths. Two of the four were described as driving properly at the time. Those incidents give a reminder to the fact that even with safe operation, motorcyclists are vulnerable on the road when sharing with other vehicles and that motor-vehicles play an important role in motorcycle safety. Read more at mywestnipissingnow.com.

REGIONS 2 NEWS

ARDOT Raising Speed Limit on Highways and Interstates (Arkansas)

Hitting the highway is about to be a little faster across the state. The Department of Transportation is getting ready to raise the speed limit on highways and interstates. State highways will go up five miles per hour. Interstates inside the city will be 65 MPH and outside will jump to 75 MPH. This also applies to other four-lane divided highways in the state. There was some concern about the increase causing more accidents. Read more at fox16.com.

Tennessee Roadway Deaths Down Overall but Pedestrian, Teen-Involved Deaths Up

Tennessee roadway deaths involving teen drivers and pedestrians is outpacing five year highs set in 2019. Despite significant year-over-year drops in the months of April and May as the COVID-19 pandemic affected the daily routines of Tennesseans, the number of pedestrians and deaths involving teen drivers to date is still higher than last year. Read more at fox17.com.

REGIONS 3 NEWS

AAA Safety Study Reveals 10% Drove Drunk In 30 Days, 30% Texted (Michigan)

Regular users of social media have probably seen this meme: Welcome back, non-essential workers, we drive fast now. Apparently, drivers also use cell phones behind the wheel, and fail to stop at red lights. Sometimes -- for nearly 10% of drivers in a 30-day AAA survey -- they drive after drinking. Read more at wwjnewsradio.radio.com.

Missouri Motorcycle Helmet Legislation Is Still Under Review

Missouri’s governor is still reviewing legislation that would allow some motorcyclists to ride without a helmet. The provision is included in a large transportation bill that is now on Governor Mike Parson’s desk. Parson’s spokeswoman, Kelli Jones, told Missourinet on Wednesday that the large bill is still under review. Read more at missourinet.com.

ODOT Creates Distracted Driving Safety Corridor in Central Ohio

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP) are teaming up to establish the first-ever distracted driving safety corridor in Central Ohio. The distracted driving safety corridor will stretch for 22-miles along
NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature

NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States (AMIE Version) – Part 1

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REGION 4 NEWS

California Department of Motor Vehicles Redesigns Website
The California Department of Motor Vehicles updated its website to offer customers efficient services and the ability to complete online transactions, according to a press release. The new website has a new layout focused on reducing the number of clicks it takes to get to things, as well as introducing the DMV's virtual assistant, Miles, or the live chat feature, according to the release. Read more at ksby.com.

CDOT Study: Frequent Marijuana Users Consider Driving High Less Dangerous (Colorado)
The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) has released the results of a two-year study titled The Cannabis Conversation. The statewide campaign aimed to gather information about citizens’ attitudes, beliefs and behaviors regarding driving under the influence of cannabis (DUIC)...CDOT connected with more than 18,000 Coloradans during the study. Read more at kdvr.com.

Deadly Crashes on Nevada Roads Down Nearly 60% in May
Deadly crashes on Nevada roads last month were down nearly 60% compared to May a year ago, according to new figures from state officials. There were 11 fatalities on state roads in May 2020, down from the 27 deaths reported in the same month of 2019. The new data comes from the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety. Read more at news3lv.com.

NTSB Calls for Change in Hazardous Shipping Standards for Certain Lithium Ion Batteries
The National Transportation Safety Board Monday called for a change in air cargo shipping requirements for some types of lithium-ion batteries. The safety recommendations follow an investigation into the shipment of lithium-ion batteries that ignited while in transport on a delivery truck in Canada. Read more at freightcomms.com.

Secure Technology Alliance Webinar to Provide Insight on Privacy and Trust in the Mobile Driver’s License Ecosystem
Protecting citizen privacy and enabling relying party trust in mobile identities are critical to increasing U.S. adoption of mobile driver’s licenses (mDLs). The Secure Technology Alliance announced...the third in its mobile driver's license webinar series, which focuses on answering issuer, adopter and relying party questions on the privacy, trust and integrity features of mDL technology and its ecosystem. Read more at globalnewswire.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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***Thank you for the @AAMVAConnection mentions!***

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**Wisconsin DOT @WisconsinDOT | View the Tweet**

Reminder: DMVs are not open for vehicle transactions. Those can be done online, through the mail or with a third party. If you must come into a #DMV service center, precautions are in place to protect your safety.

http://wisconsindmv.gov

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**OregonDOT @OregonDOT | View the Tweet**

At DMV, we're getting your appointment requests - more than 61,000 since June 1! We've made 12,843 appointments so far and are processing ASAP. Our calls back to you won't say "DMV" so please answer your phone (we will leave messages). Thank you for your patience.
SD Highway Patrol @SDHighwayPatrol | View the Tweet

It’s #MoveOverAwarenessMonth here in SD. This month helps emphasize the importance of keeping a safe distance from vehicles on the side of the road. Move over, it could save a life. #MoveOver #KeepSDsafe

Service NL @ServiceNL_ | View the Tweet

DYK that since the #covid19 public health emergency, more than 98% of vehicle renewals have been conducted online at http://MyGovNL.ca. Read more about the uptake in our online services - https://gov.nl.ca/releases/2020/serviceni/0610n02/#GovNL #covid19nfld

VermontDMV @VTDMV | View the Tweet

Week 1 of the DMV Restart Plan was an enormous success! As of Friday, 387 road exams & 22 CDL exams scheduled. To celebrate the restart and to honor and thank the employees who are working harder than ever, we’ve compiled some photos. https://dmv.vermont.gov/blog/covid-19-dmv-restart-plan-update
NewYorkStatePolice @nyspolice | View the Tweet

Please be advised: Vehicles will be stopped for invalid license plates. Yes, we stopped this driver.

Larry Higgs @CommutingLarry | View the Tweet

The @NJ_MVC is starting to reopen on June 29, the Chief Administrator explains to #drivers how the system will work https://nj.com/coronavirus/2020/06/coronavirus-shut-down-going-to-the-mvc-now-the-agency-tells-us-how-to-navigate-the-reopening.html #DMV #coronavirus

MD_MVA @MD_MVA | View the Tweet

Administrator Nizer joined @FOXBaltimore this morning to discuss our partial reopening, appointment-only system, new safety procedures, and more! #MDOTSafety
FOX61 (@FOX61News) spoke with Deputy DMV Commissioner Tony Guerrera to get some guidance on the driving schools in Connecticut, as they are independent businesses.

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