2020 Region 1 Conference and 2020 Region 2 Conference are cancelled. Visit our website for the full cancelation list.

*Register for the following training sessions HERE.

APRIL - CDLIS

14 | CDLIS Rules for Driver Withdrawals (intermediate)
15 | CD16 Report Out-of-State Withdrawal (intermediate)
16 | CD17 Negate Out-of-State Withdrawal (intermediate)
21 | CD01 Search Inquiry (intermediate)

2020 Region 2 Conference is Cancelled
The 2020 AAMVA Region 2 Conference, scheduled for June 16-18, 2020 in Atlanta, Georgia, has been canceled due to health and safety concerns about COVID-19 (coronavirus) as well as travel bans being imposed by many entities that traditionally participate in the event. Attendees will need to cancel their own hotel and travel reservations. You can call the Hilton Atlanta directly at (800-446-6677) to cancel hotel reservations. AAMVA will continue to monitor the situation and will make a case-by-case decision on future events. For questions, please contact Patrice Aasmo (571.435.2861), Samara Fetner (703.254.7020) or Dianne Graham (571.265.5573). Visit our homepage to view all event cancellations and announcements.

2020 CDL Train the Trainer Class is Cancelled
The 2020 AAMVA Commercial Driver License (CDL) Train-the-Trainer class, scheduled for June 8-12, 2020 in St. Petersburg, Florida, has been canceled due to health and safety concerns about COVID-19 (coronavirus). AAMVA will continue to monitor the situation and will make a case-by-case decision on future events.

AAMVA Mourns the Passing of Robert Rowland
AAMVA member, Bob Rowland, passed away on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at the age of 57. Bob worked for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation’s Registry of Motor Vehicles for 28 years. He is an alumni of AAMVA’s Leadership Academy, and served AAMVA in multiple capacities over the years, including as Massachusetts’s CDL coordinator. Bob also served on multiple working groups and committees, including the CDLIS Working Group, for which he was Vice Chair, and the Motor Carrier Working Group, for which he was Chair. He actively provided insights on an array of topics, including CDLs & Motor Carriers, REAL ID, and Autonomous Vehicles. A service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers or gifts, should you care to make a donation in Bob’s memory, please consider the American Diabetes Association. AAMVA will share additional arrangements when they are available. Bob is survived by his wife Donna, his children, Molly and Casey, and his siblings, Susan, Linda, Walter, and sister-in-law Julie. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews, a great-niece, and a great-nephew.
**Survey: CDL Skills Testing Amid COVID-19 Crisis**

AAMVA is requesting information on how your jurisdiction is handling CDL Skills Testing amid the COVID-19 crisis. It is important we hear about the changes to CDL testing that some states are making and the various waivers states are asking FMCSA to consider. [Click here](#) to take the survey. Please respond before the deadline of **April 17, 2020**.

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Denise Hanchulak at dhanchulak@aamva.org.

**AAMVA Legislative Alert: FMCSA Grants Waiver to Allow Third-Party CDL Test Examiners to Administer CDL Knowledge Tests**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has [granted a waiver](#) from regulations regarding third-party Commercial Driver License (CDL) test examiners (49 CFR 384.228(b)-(c)). The waiver allows authorized third-party CDL test examiners to also administer the CDL knowledge test without completing a CDL knowledge test training course. [Read the full legislative alert here](#).

**FMCSA National Emergency Waiver Impact on CSTIMS and CDLIS Applications**

With guidance from the FMCSA and the CDLIS and CSTIMS working groups, AAMVA completed its analysis of the FMCSA waivers related to the COVID-19 emergency. The overview of the impact to these applications was shared in an FMCSA CDL roundtable call on April 7, 2020.

In summary, CSTIMS will waive the enforcement of the 14-day rule (49 CFR 383.25(e)) and the CLP Expiration Date (49 CFR 383.73(a)(2)(iii) and 383.25(c)), to schedule an applicant during the waiver period. CSTIMS changes to support the waivers were deployed to production on **April 12, 2020**. [Click here](#) for the webinar material and [here](#) for training materials (documentation tab).

CDLIS will be changed to suppress error messages from status and history responses during the waiver period. These changes are on target to be deployed to production on **April 17, 2020**.

**This Week's Webinars**

**NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) – Understanding the Administrative Features**

**Tuesday, April 14, 2020, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)**

The NMVTIS SWI Web Application is used by the states to perform title verification and data corrections. This webinar focuses on how the states use the administrative features to oversee the states user community. A brief overview of the SWI application is also provided. The SWI application has been built so that each state manages their own user community. This includes configuring the system with organizations to which users are assigned. The state administrator is responsible for user role assignments and user account activation and deactivation. The SWI Application also includes a reporting component that allows state administrators to monitor user activity.

*Note: This webinar is for AAMVA jurisdiction and federal members only.*

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

**Thursday, April 16, 2020, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (ET)**

NMVTIS has two third party transactions that involve updates between the central site and multiple states. Because the transactions involve multiple states and the central site, it is possible for a transaction to break down before it completes. Further activity against this title record is greatly restricted until the problem is resolved. This webinar provides instruction as to how to identify and resume suspended transactions. The intended audience for this webinar are NMVTIS Help Desk...
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 on COVID-19 Pandemic

COVID-19, a novel (new) coronavirus, was first detected in December of 2019. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared it to be a global pandemic. By March 13, COVID-19 was declared a national emergency by President Donald Trump. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has since expanded on the national emergency declaration in the United States to provide HOS relief for commercial vehicle drivers transporting emergency aid.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has encouraged many preventative measures, but local and state government officials and public health departments, in consultation with federal officials, have been tasked with making decisions based on local conditions. Many states have issued stay at home orders. The federal government has taken additional actions to provide up to $2.3 trillion (H.R.748) in loans to support the economy, and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) was directed to delay the federal REAL ID deadline.

Below are a selection of news releases and announcements regarding the effects of coronavirus on the motor vehicle community.

COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE

- MVC Agency, Inspection Station Closures to Be Extended Again (New Jersey)
- Province Supports Agriculture and Trucking Industries (Prince Edward Island)
- Governor Phil Scott Extends Vermont’s State of Emergency, Motor Vehicle Inspections Have Been Extended for 60 Days

COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE

- Transportation Cabinet Extends Emergency Order for Commercial Drivers Delivering Goods, Services in COVID-19 Pandemic Relief Effort (Kentucky)
- Louisiana OMV to Re-Open Phone Lines For Reinstatement Assistance
- DTOP Extiende Vigencia de Licencias y Marbetes Vencidos en Marzo y Abril (DTOP Extends Validity of Expired Licenses and Labels in March and April) (Puerto Rico)
- DMV COVID-19 Related Information (South Carolina)
- ICYMJ: In Light of Federal Guidelines for Commercial Drivers, DPS Extends Deadline for CDL Holders to Submit Medical Certificates (Texas)
- DMV Provides Critical Support for the Trucking Industry (Virginia)
- FMCSA Grants Virginia Request to Expand Testing for Commercial Drivers

COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- Jesse White Announces Emergency Rules Filed to Extend Expiration Dates for DLs, IDs and Vehicle Registrations for at Least 90 Days after Driver Services Facilities Reopen (Illinois)
- Parents Now Able to Administer the Iowa DOT Written Driving Test at Home (Iowa)
- Customer Safety Drives New COVID-19 Program (Manitoba)
Licence Plate Supplier (Ends 04/24/2020)

CDL Skills Testing Amid the COVID-19 Crisis (Ends 04/17/2020)

Real ID Program Requirement Relief (Ends 04/17/2020)

You can view all open surveys and responses to all surveys by visiting the survey tool. Please contact Janice Dluzynski if you have any questions about using the survey tool.

Highway Safety Even More Important During Pandemic (Missouri)

New Emergency Permits Help Truckers Respond to COVID-19 (Wisconsin)

WisDOT Further Restricts In-Person Services at DMV Service Centers Beginning April 8 (Wisconsin)

COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE

DMV Changes as of Thursday 04/09/2020 (Alaska)

Dunleavy Announces Suspension of State Regulations (Alaska)

Keeping the Supply Chain Open and Moving During COVID-19 (Alberta)

ADOT Eases Truck Weight Limits for Delivery of Essential Supplies (Arizona)

Utah State Tax Commission DMV Notice

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Dunleavy Vetoes $150k in Funding for Rural REAL ID Assistance (Alaska)

Governor Mike Dunleavy vetoed about $210 million from the state budget before he signed it on April 7. Some of the larger vetoes include $31 million to Medicaid, $15 million to the Marine Highway System and about $4 million to pre-K grants. One of the smaller vetoes was to funding that would’ve helped with REAL ID implementation in rural communities. When the Legislature passed their version of the budget, they included $150,000 that would’ve gone to the Alaska Municipal League, a statewide organization that represents most of the state’s cities and boroughs. It was meant to help rural Alaska residents get access to REAL IDs. Read more at alaskapublic.org.

Computer Replacement Requires Four-Day MVD Shutdown Starting This Weekend (Arizona)

The replacement of an obsolete computer system will require a complete shutdown of all Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division services from 5 p.m. Friday, April 17, through Tuesday, April 21. This shutdown is a total interruption to all services provided at MVD offices, through Authorized Third Party providers and online at ServiceArizona.com. This interruption is mitigated somewhat by several factors. The first is that registration renewals occur at the beginning of the month or on the 15th. The dates for the shutdown fall between those periods, so customers don’t risk missing a renewal deadline. Read more at azdot.gov.

DMV Authorizes Nuro to Test Driverless Delivery Vehicles in Portion of Bay Area (California)

Pursuant to state law and regulation, the California Department of Motor Vehicles today issued a permit to Nuro authorizing the company to test two driverless vehicles on surface streets within specific, designated parts of Santa Clara and San Mateo counties, including portions of the cities of Atherton, East Palo Alto, Los Altos Hills, Los Altos, Menlo Park, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Sunnyvale and Woodside. While Nuro has had state authority to test autonomous vehicles on the road with safety drivers since 2017, the new permit allows the company to test two light-duty delivery vehicles without drivers behind the wheel in nine cities. The vehicles have a maximum speed of 25 mph and are only approved to operate in fair weather conditions on streets with a speed limit of no more than 35 mph. Read more at dmv.ca.gov.
Drug Recognition Experts: Driving High Is Impaired Driving - Even on 4/20 (North Dakota)
Driving under the influence of cannabis or other mind-altering substances is dangerous and illegal. April 20 (4/20) is a popular day among marijuana users to get high. While there are many theories as to why 4/20 has become a counterculture celebration, Drug Recognition Experts (DREs) agree: don’t drive high. Read more at not.nd.gov.

Vermont DMV Launches Online License Renewals
Governor Phil Scott and the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) today announced the official launch of a new online system for license renewals. This new service comes at a critical time for Vermonters and dovetails with the Governor’s March 18 directive for the DMV to transition to online, mail and phone transactions to reduce the spread of COVID-19...“This is a key step forward in the modernization of DMV services for Vermonters,” said DMV Commissioner Wanda Minoli. “The option to renew online will ease the process for many customers and will result in greater efficiency and cost savings for the state.” Read more at dmv.vermont.gov.

Northam Signs VA Non-Binary Driver’s License Bill Into Law (Virginia)
Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam has signed a law requiring the state’s Department of Motor Vehicles to offer a non-binary option on driver’s licenses. The governor signed Senate Bill 246 on March 31, which now offers driver’s license applicants the option to mark “male,” “female” or “non-binary” when designating their sex. The measure introduced by state Sen. Scott Surovell (D-Fairfax County), passed in the Virginia House of Delegates on Feb. 25 and in the Virginia Senate on March 2...The new Virginia law goes into effect July 1. Read more at washingtonblade.com.

Testing for New CDLs to Be Offered This Week (South Dakota)
South Dakota’s Driver Licensing Program will open driver exam stations starting Tuesday (April 7) in four cities “by appointment only” to help those who are applying for new commercial driving licenses (CDL) or new CDL endorsements...Officials plan to start the program on Tuesday, April 7. There will be two testing work stations in Sioux Falls and one each in Aberdeen, Pierre and Rapid City. Driver Licensing director Jane Schrank said at least 60 applicants a week could take their CDL tests through this program. Read more at news.sd.gov.

FEDERAL NEWS

FMCSA Requests Information Collection Approval for Entry-Level Driver Training
The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has issued an Information Collection Request (ICR) requesting approval to revise its prior ICR on “Training Certification for Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators.” This ICR will be used to register providers of entry-level driver training and to provide State Driver’s Licensing Agencies with information on individuals who have completed said training. If approved, the ICR revision will allow FMCSA to collect information on registered training providers and entry-level driver training certification until 2022. This ICR incorporates two new requirements, as provided in section 32304 of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21). Those requirements include two collection actions: (1) Training providers must submit information to FMCSA to ensure that they meet the new training provider eligibility requirements and may therefore be listed on a new training provider registry; and (2) after an individual driver-trainee completes training administered by a training provider listed on the TPR, that training provider must submit training certification information regarding the driver-trainee to the TPR. Further, under this
revision, existing treatment of entry-level driver training requirement and information collection activities for “training provider registration” and “driver training certification information” are described. Comments must be received prior to May 7, 2020. Jurisdictions submitting comments are encouraged to copy governmentaffairs@aamva.org so that the association may reflect those comments in their own. Read more at govinfo.gov.

FMCSA Seeks Extension on Hazardous Materials ICR
The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has requested an extension of its information collection request (ICR) on hazardous materials safety permits. Through this extension request, FMCSA seeks to extend an existing ICR titled, “Hazardous Materials Safety Permits.” The ICR requires companies holding safety permits to develop communications plans that allow for the periodic tracking of shipments. A record of the communications that includes the time of the call and location of the shipment may be kept by either the driver or the company. These records must be kept, either physically or electronically, for at least six months at the company’s principal place of business, or be readily available to the employees at the principal place of business. The revision in the ICR is to the total number of companies holding a safety permit and the estimated number of respondents. Comments are due by May 7, 2020. Read more at govinfo.gov.

TSA Publishes Exemption on Expiration of Threat Assessments for Hazardous Material Endorsement Holders
The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has officially published a notice and temporary exemption regarding expiration of TSA security threat assessments (STAs) for Hazardous Material Endorsement (HME) holders. For the duration of this exemption, a state may grant an extension of up to 180 days for an HME that expired or would otherwise expire between March 1, 2020 and the end date of this exemption, even if the individual was unable to initiate or complete the required STA before the expiration date. If the state grants an extension, the individual with an expired HME must initiate the process of renewing his or her STA for an HME no later than 60 days before the end of the state-granted extension. TSA may extend this exemption at a future date, depending on the status of the COVID-19 crisis. The exemption becomes effective on April 2, 2020 and remains in effect through July 31, 2020, unless otherwise modified by TSA through a notice published in the Federal Register. Read more at govinfo.gov.

US Supreme Court Sides With Police In Traffic Stop Case
The Supreme Court on Monday ruled that a Kansas police officer acted lawfully when he stopped a car whose owner’s license was suspended before confirming it was in fact the owner behind the wheel. In an 8-1 opinion, the justices said the officer’s assumption that the owner was driving was reasonable, given the officer had no reason to think the vehicle was being operated by someone else. “We hold that when the officer lacks information negating an inference that the owner is the driver of the vehicle, the stop is reasonable,” Justice Clarence Thomas wrote for the majority in a case that pit road safety against drivers’ privacy rights. Read more at thehill.com.

PARTNER NEWS

RFP for Data Repository Project (IRP)
The International Registration Plan (IRP), Inc. is seeking a qualified, experienced vendor to provide a secure IRP Data Repository for IRP, Inc. and member jurisdictions. IRP is seeking innovative solutions that will allow improved efficiencies and enhanced services to the IRP and motor carrier communities. Responses are due by April 15, 2020. In addition, only vendors who register will be provided with
instructions on how to upload their proposal. Any questions related to the Request for Proposal should be submitted in writing as soon as possible, but no later than close of business on April 24, 2020 to IRPdatarepository@irpinc.org.

Read more about the Data Repository project at irponline.org. For more information about the RFP, click here.