Oregon to Begin Using AAMVA's State-to-State Verification Service

Oregon will begin using AAMVA's State-to-State Verification Service (S2S) on Monday, July 6, 2020. Tasks related to on-boarding Oregon will be conducted during the weekend of July 4, 2020. During this process (Saturday evening to Monday morning), there will be periods during which the CDLIS/S2S Central Site (Central Site) will be in inquiry-only mode or unavailable (over and above the regularly scheduled maintenance window of 2:00 AM ET to 5:00 AM ET on Sunday, July 5, 2020). AAMVA is taking all steps possible to minimize service interruptions and will be sending alerts notifying states of Central Site availability throughout the process. Read more here.

Introducing AAMVA Conference Session Series Webinars

Due to COVID-19 and travel restrictions, AAMVA has canceled its 2020 conferences. For the AAMVA community, these events are opportunities to come together to network, learn, share, and exchange ideas. As part of AAMVA's ongoing efforts to keep members connected and informed, a new member-only online education series will deliver the relevant and timely topics: the AAMVA Conference Session Series webinars. The same great content of a conference session on a different platform. Once a week over the next 14 weeks, these hour-long webinars will be an opportunity to learn, share, and connect with one another. Click here for more information and to register.

We Have a Podcast!

We're pleased to announce the launch of our new podcast, AAMVAcast, featuring news, information, and expertise for the AAMVA Community. You can find AAMVAcast on its own website, aamvacast.podbean.com, or on Apple podcasts, Google podcasts, Stitcher, and Spotify. We'll be releasing new episodes every Monday featuring conversations with our host, Ian Grossman, and members of the AAMVA Community.

On today's episode, we hear from Rick Holcomb, Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, about how customer service priorities and strategies have shifted in the wake of the pandemic, and how Virginia has changed processes related to commercial drivers. Subscribe today!

This Week's Webinars

NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States (Web Service Version) – Part 1
July 2, 2020, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)
Region 3, and Region 4 Conferences, as well as the Annual International Conference are cancelled. Visit our website for the full cancelation list.

**SYSTEMS TRAINING**

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

### JUNE - CDLIS

30 | CDLIS Resolving Broken and Missing Pointers (intermediate)

### JULY - CDLIS

1 | CD03 State-to-State Status Request (intermediate)
2 | CD04 State-to-State History Request (intermediate)
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)
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)

### JULY - PDPS

7 | PDPS Update Transactions (intermediate)
8 | PDPS S2S and NDR Generated Transactions (intermediate)

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 Personnel, Business Process Analyst and IT System Integrators.

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

**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 on COVID-19 Pandemic**

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**

- Atlantic Provinces Form Travel Bubble (Newfoundland and Labrador, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia)
- CT Department of Motor Vehicles Partially Reopens by Appointment Only (Connecticut)
- Statement by MVC Chief Administrator Sue Fulton (New Jersey)
- In-Person License and Vehicle Transactions Delayed to July 7 (New Jersey)
- Fifth Expiration Date Extensions Order (Rhode Island)
- RI DMV to Reopen Wakefield Office Monday, June 29 (Rhode Island)
- Rhode Island Service Center Closure Update (Washington, DC)

**COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE**

- ALEA Resumes Normal Driver License Operations; Record Number of Alabama Citizens Served (Alabama)
- MS Department of Public Safety Announces Changes to Weekly Schedule at Driver License Stations (Mississippi)
- This Week at NCDOT: DMV Waives Level 2 Road Tests, GHSP Campaign (North Carolina)
- DTOP Anuncia Plan de Reapertura de los Cesco (Puerto Rico)
- Validity of Virginia DMV-Issued Credentials Extended Additional 90 Days
- All Regional DMV Offices to Offer Appointments (West Virginia)

**COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Joliet Drivers Services Facility Reopens Tuesday, June 30 (Illinois)
- Secretary White Encourages Customers to Sign up for Online Service to Receive License Plate Sticker Renewal Notices by Email (Illinois)
- Reminder: BMV Fees to Resume July 1 (Indiana)
- Governor Laura Kelly Announces the Phase-In of Drive Tests (Kansas)
- DPS-DVS Sends Verification Letters to Minnesotans Waiting on Registration Tabs; Notifies Law Enforcement
- Executive Order Extends Vehicle Registration and Driver License Renewals Until August 31 (North Dakota)
- Extension for Renewing Expired Driver Licenses Ends July 25 (Wisconsin)

**COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE**

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**JURISDICTION NEWS**

**ADOT Adds to Truck Screening Technology Smoothing Flow of Commerce (Arizona)**
To help freight move efficiently while ensuring that commercial vehicles can operate safely on state highways, the Arizona Department of Transportation has expanded its use of technology that screens moving trucks for weight and identifying information. Read more at azdot.gov.

**Colorado Division of Motor Vehicles Adjusts Licensing Fees for First Time in Years**
The Colorado Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will adjust its licensing fees by about 10% by July 1, 2020, in accordance with Colorado Revised Statute 42-2-114.5. The adjustment will apply to all driver licenses, instruction permits and identification cards, and their renewals. Read more at colorado.gov.

**Hands-Free Cell Phone Law Goes Into Effect July 1 (Idaho)**
Beginning Wednesday (July 1), drivers in Idaho will only be able to use electronic devices in hands-free mode behind the wheel, including when stopped at a red light or stop sign. In other words, the new hands-free law makes holding a cell phone illegal while operating a vehicle. Read more at apps.itd.idaho.gov.

**Maryland Selected for Project Aimed at Reducing Impaired Driving-Related Injuries and Fatalities**
The Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration (MDOT MVA) has been selected by the National Governors Association to take part in a Learning Collaborative to strengthen the use of data to fight impaired driving-related injuries and fatalities. As part of the initiative, a core team of advisers from several Maryland agencies will learn from national experts and study other states’ efforts to improve educational programs, technology, legislation, laboratory testing and training to improve traffic safety. Read more at mva.maryland.gov.

**Governor Parson and State Leaders Alarmed at Rising Traffic Deaths (Missouri)**
Despite traffic volumes dropping dramatically in 2020 because of the impacts of COVID-19, Missouri has actually experienced a 12 percent rise in roadway fatalities over last year. Read more at news.transportation.org.

**MVD Urges Patience With Service Delays Due to Public Health Situation (Arizona)**
**Behind-The-Wheel Exams Resume June 26 for Customers With Previously Scheduled Appointments (California)**
**#SkipTheTripCO: Online Driver License, ID Card Renewals Exceed 50,000 in May (Colorado)**
**MVD Offices in Farmington, Gallup and Las Cruces Now Accepting Appointments (New Mexico)**
**New DMV Online Scheduling Service Will Let Customers Set Appointments Themselves (Oregon)**
**SGI Road Tests Re-Open to Everyone, Effective [June 25] (Saskatchewan)**
**DMV South Salt Lake Office Reopening (Utah)**
**Commercial Driver Licenses/Learner Permits Extended to Sept. 30, 2020 (Washington)**
**DOL Will Close for Mandatory Furlough Days in July (Washington)**
**Road Tests to Resume in July (Yukon)**

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NSP Encourages Safe Driving as Traffic Volume Increases (Nebraska)

Travelers are hitting the road in greater numbers as the state continues to move into a new phase of COVID-19 response. Most Nebraska counties are now in Phase III of reopening, as of Monday, June 22. Nebraska State Troopers continue to report an increase in traffic throughout the state, which corresponds with figures reported by the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT). Read more at statepatrol.nebraska.gov.

'All the Gear, All the Time' and Safety Courses Can Help Save Lives (North Dakota)

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) is teaming up with American Bikers Aiming Toward Education (ABATE) of North Dakota through the North Dakota Motorcycle Safety Program to ask motorcyclists to take personal responsibility on the roadways by wearing All The Gear, All The Time (ATGATT) and taking a rider safety course. Read more at dot.nd.gov.

Ontario Transportation Safety Division Staffing Announcement

Virginia McKimm has graciously agreed to temporarily fulfill the Assistant Deputy Minister (ADM) of the Transportation Safety Division (TSD) role as of June 26th. The competitive process currently for this position is well underway and an announcement for the permanent ADM will be made shortly. Read more here.

New No Texting Law Begins July 1 (South Dakota)

Starting July 1, drivers in South Dakota will no longer be able to use mobile electronic devices, including cell phones, for texting or other purposes while they drive. House Bill 1169, which was passed during the 2020 legislative session, prohibits drivers from using a phone for social media uses. Read more at news.sd.gov.

DMV Stops Driver for 116 MPH on Interstate 89 (Vermont)

DMV Inspector with the Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles stopped a fifty-three-year-old Vermont driver for Grossly Negligent Operation on Interstate 89 in the Town of Williston. On Wednesday afternoon, June 24, 2020, at 4:12 p.m., Colonel Jake Elovirta, Director of DMV’s Enforcement & Safety Division, was traveling northbound on I-89 French Hill near the Richmond/Williston town line. Read more at dmv.vermont.gov.

FEDERAL NEWS

FMCSA Issues Final Rule Amending MCSAP Formula and Requiring Safety Plan

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has issued a final rule that amends the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) and High Priority Grant programs. As required by the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, FMCSA has adopted new funding formulas based on recommendations from the MCSAP Formula Working Group, effective for FY 2021 grants and beyond. The rule also reorganizes FMCSA’s regulations to create a standalone subpart for the High Priority Program. Finally, the rule also requires the use of a 3 year MCSAP commercial vehicle safety plan, with annual updates, for states applying for MCSAP funds. The final rule is effective July 24, 2020. Read more at go.govinfo.gov.

Join Us to Help Stop Hot Car Deaths (NHTSA)

On Wednesday, July 1, we will be tweeting from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. ET about the dangers of heatstroke, and offering prevention tips. While our summer routines look...
a little different this year, the summer sun and increasing temperatures are still deadly to a child who has been left unattended or gotten trapped inside a vehicle. Even in the shade in 60° weather, temperatures inside a vehicle can soar to deadly levels in minutes. Read more here.

PARTNER NEWS

COVID-19 & Violation Data: The Long-Term Impact on the Trucking Industry (SambaSafety)
The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has impacted trucking in significant ways. The good news for the industry is that truck drivers are now part of a new class of essential workers, and, rightly, hailed as heroes. To help them do their essential work, the federal government has backed off enforcement, resulting in an historic decline in violations of all types. However, while a break from enforcement does seem to be a needed help, it is in fact not a benefit to the industry. Read more here.

The Political Economy of Autonomous Vehicles (American University)
In the 1960s flying cars, moving walkways, smart homes, smart watches, talking robots, video conferencing even tanning beds were things of the imagination. But just as we have seen cartoon far-fetched imagery from the Jetsons become real life available technology, we can see that autonomous vehicles will eventually be in wide use in passenger vehicles, buses, and trucks. While the techies are fine-tuning the technology platform and insuring safety protocols governments should begin to turn to addressing the natural consequences from the wide use of the technology. Read more at forbes.com.

New Research Documents the Scale of Nuclear Verdicts in Trucking (ATRI)
The American Transportation Research Institute (ATRI) today released comprehensive research that confirms that large verdicts against trucking fleets are increasing dramatically, both in number and in size of awards. ATRI's research is partially based on a newly created trucking litigation database that provides detailed information on 600 cases between 2006 and 2019. In the first five years of the data, there were 26 cases over $1 million, and in the last five years of the data, there were nearly 300 cases. Read more at truckingresearch.org.

GHSA Urges Congress to Unfetter State Highway Safety Efforts
With far too many people continuing to die in preventable traffic crashes, John Saunders, Director of Highway Safety Services at the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, will join with other highway safety stakeholders on Tuesday, June 30 to tell the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Transportation and Safety that Congress must do more to remove program constraints that hamper the ability of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), State and local governments and the highway safety community to implement lifesaving programs. Saunders, who will represent GHSA, will also provide an overview of the national traffic safety landscape, including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our nation’s roadways. Read more here.