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President's Message

The Division of Highway Traffic Safety has provided the association with grant funding to cover our expenses. A HUGE thank you to Director Heitmann for approaching the association with this idea and helping us work it out. This means we will no longer be charging dues for membership to our association. All law enforcement and partner agencies are welcome to join. The association can focus on doing what we do better than any other state: collaborate and share the vast knowledge and resources that make up our association. If you haven't done so already, please complete the new membership form (available in the newsletter and on our website) to update our roster. We look forward to this new opportunity to better serve our members and promote traffic safety. As always, feel free to reach out if you have any questions. Thanks,

Stay safe, Nick

Association News

Monthly Business & E-Board Meetings Zoom Online

The next regular meeting is on Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at 10:00 am.

An invitation to the Zoom meetings will be emailed out the Monday before the meeting. If you do not receive an invitation email for the meeting, reach out to President Schock or Executive Director Maxwell for the link.

WWW.NJPTOA.ORG & COVID-19

Visit our association's website regularly for updated information and Law Enforcement resources dealing with the COVID-19 outbreak. There is a page containing all of the Governor's Executive Orders, OEM Administrative Orders, MVC Orders & NJ AG Directives related to the outbreak. www.njptoa.com. Please Stay Safe & Healthy out there!

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If you're texting,
you're not driving.



Association Membership Database Update

Updated & Reprinted from the January Newsletter:



To facilitate an accurate membership database, we are revamping the membership and email communication procedures for 2021. The existing membership roster and email address book are going to be purged. This will require all agencies and associate members, current and new, to complete the 2021 Membership Form and submit it to the Association as soon as possible. The agency is the Association member with a name serving as the primary contact person. Agencies can add additional names and email addresses, which will also have access to the Association's material, by listing the names and email addresses in the appropriate spaces on the second page of the form.

The email addresses are required to receive the monthly newsletters, meeting notices, updates, grant information, education opportunities, and other communications. The Association no longer mails these items via the USPS; all communications are done electronically. Please check with your information technology people to ensure your agency's internal systems do not block the Association's emails.

Any questions can be directed to:

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Executive Director: Richard Maxwell email: rmaxwell@njptoa.org

Operations Secretary: Mark Wilson phone/text: (856) 220-1433 email: mwilson@njptoa.org

A copy of the [2021 Membership Form](#) is in the appendix of this Newsletter and on our website.

Traffic Safety Specialist Awards

During February's NJPTOA meeting, Dr. Claudia Knezek and Mike Tullio from Kean University's Traffic Safety Program announced the first quarter of 2021 TSS award recipients. Below is the list of Level 1 and Level 2 recipients. Their certificates will be mailed to them as the meeting was online.

Level 1 Awards

Robert Babitz	NJSP	Michael Laboy	Hillsborough Twp PD
Sihoon Chung	Leonia PD	John Longo	Leonia PD
Nicholas Cifelli	Kinnelon PD	Ryan Maguire	Middletown Twp PD
Ian Conck	Linden PD	Joseph Petillo	Mansfield Twp PD
Timothy Drew	Lawrence Twp PD	Michael Rizol	NJSP

Level 2 Award

Anthony Bachmann Rutherford PD of his Speed Calming Project of West Passaic Ave., Rutherford, NJ

SR-1 Self Accident Report Form

It came up during the February meeting that NJMVC /NJDOT are no longer printing the SR-1 report form, commonly known as the Self-Report Form. The SR-1 is available online and downloadable as a fillable pdf report. If your agency needs forms, the link to go to is <https://www.state.nj.us/mvc/pdf/about/SR-1.pdf>



Title 39: A Bikes Eye View

During February's meeting, Ron Esposito from AAA North Jersey announced that AAA would be offering training called Title 39: A Bikes Eye View at various statewide locations. Contact Rin for further information.

Email - resposito@aaanortheast.com or his office phone 908-377-9686

Crossing Guard Training Program

During February's meeting, Catherine Bull of the NJ Safe Routes Resource Center offered assistance for any agency requiring training for their crossing guards. Catherine will provide resources from their Crossing Guard Training Program.

Her email address is catherine.bull@ejb.rutgers.edu

Registering Honda Talons in NJ in Violation of Title 39

Mark Wilson, Operations Sectary, raised a question asking if any agency is experiencing issues with citizens obtaining out of state vehicle registration for side-by-side ATVs, mostly the Honda Talon, and then driving the ATV on public roads and highways.

He discussed some questions he received from a couple of south Jersey agencies with this type of problem. He also explained that NJ law does not allow these types of ATVs on roadways.

If you have information that will help deal with this issue or if you are experiencing the same problem, please contact Mark. Email address njptoa@hotmail.com or cell 856-220-1433.

RADAR Tuning Forks Testing

Mark Wilson has been working with the New Jersey Weights and Measures to set up a tuning fork certification procedure.

Mark is working with the Region VPs and Region Reps to set up dates and locations for the drop-off of your tuning forks. One agency within each region will be designated as a drop off location where agencies will leave their tuning forks. W&M will pick the batch of forks up and bring them back to the drop off agency after they have completed their work with them.

The region VPs will advise agencies in their region when and where to drop off the tuning forks.

Agencies are still welcome to directly take their forks to W&M by following the procedures outlined in the appendix of this Newsletter. Also in the appendix is the W&M instruction memo and invoice. These can also be downloaded from our website's forms section. [Click here to download the memo and invoice.](#)

Quick Points of Interest



We were privileged to have two MADD representatives as our guest speakers during the February meeting.

Rachael Browngardt and Victoria Stuart discussed how they are reviving the New Jersey MADD chapter. Rachael is the Victim Services Manager for MADD New York State, and she is working with Victoria, the Head Victim Service Specialist here in New Jersey, to advance MADD New Jersey's status.

MADD New Jersey was able to secure a grant to transition the chapter from a solely volunteer-run organization to having a funded staff, which will help advance the chapter's services here in New Jersey.

They discussed the assistance that MADD has to offer in helping both victims and law enforcement during investigations and prosecutions. MADD plays an integral part in both support and guidance to victims.

[Click here to listen to the 7-minute audio recording of their presentation during the meeting.](#)

Rachael can be reached at (585) 426-3130, or her email address is Rachael.Browngardt@madd.org, while Victoria's email address is Victoria.Stuart@madd.org

We are grateful to have MADD New Jersey as part of our association.



National Law Enforcement Officers
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2020 Year-End Officer Fatality Report Released by NLEOMF

On Monday, January 11, 2021, the National Law Enforcement Memorial and Museum released its proprietary 2020 Law Enforcement Officers Fatalities Report. As part of the Destination Zero initiative, a series of critical programs will be held throughout this week to provide lifesaving information of the highest relevance to our law enforcement officers, based on trends found in the leading line-of-duty death categories of firearms, traffic, and health-related circumstances.

[Click here to read and/or download the Report](#)

Assistance Needed – Off Duty Work Voucher

Matt Shaw from Maple Shade PD is looking for some help.

He is creating an agency carbon copy voucher form to be utilized on side jobs with contractors that don't provide one. Something similar to what PSE&G provides. If any of you have such a form that he could "copy & paste" or point him in the right direction, please contact Matt.

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Assistance Needed – Traffic Enforcement on US Postal Property

Mark Melchiorre from Middlesex PD is looking for some help or just an answer to his question.

Can municipal police legally enforce Title 39 statutes and local traffic ordinances (parking, fire lanes, speed limits, etc...) on the property, lots, and access roads, owned and/or leased by the US Postal Service? Is this considered private property?

If municipal police cannot enforce Title 39 on these properties, would a 39:5a-1 request from the local postmaster be appropriate for the municipality to adopt an ordinance allowing the enforcement on the property? Would someone higher than the local postmaster in the USPS need to be the requestion authority? If you can help Mark out with this issue, please reach out to him.

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NJ Cannabis Insider – Online Business Conference

NJ Cannabis Insider is hosting a two-day business and networking conference March 9-10, featuring some of the state's most prominent industry leaders. Early-bird registration is open.

[Click here for more information and to register for this event](#)

Updates from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety

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Some Words from the Director – Eric Heitmann

Many motorists have likely encountered an aggressive driver or experienced “road rage” while driving. Aggressive driving is a progression of dangerous and unlawful driving actions, including speeding, making improper or erratic traffic lane changes, disregarding traffic control devices, failing to yield the right of way, and following another vehicle too closely. Road rage occurs when motorists lose their tempers or become frustrated because of a traffic disturbance.

Aggressive drivers fail to consider how their actions behind the wheel can affect other motorists on the road. Extreme cases of aggressive driving and road rage can lead to deadly crashes.

New Jersey takes aggressive driving seriously, and our law enforcement officers and prosecutors are ready to take action to stop aggressive driving. Your cooperation is vital to help prevent crashes and fatalities related to aggressive driving.

Here are some tips the general public can do to help us in the campaign against aggressive driving and road rage, please convey these to the public on your websites and social media:

1. When behind the wheel of a car, always remain calm and follow the rules of the road.
2. If you feel angry or overly excited, take time to cool off before driving.
3. If you see an aggressive driver on the road, call 888-SAF-ROAD, or if using a cell phone, call #77 hands-free to report the driver.
4. Make a note of the vehicle and report the aggressive driver to local authorities when it is safe to do so.

Looking for Feedback on #77

Just last year, 19,008 people utilized #77 to report aggressive drivers here in New Jersey.

We here at DHTS are looking for feedback from police officers as to the effectiveness of #77. Please email me with any thoughts on the #77 aggressive driver hotline. Is it good? Does it work? Are there any better ideas out there? eric.heitmann@njoag.gov

New Personnel

I want to introduce to you three new Program staffers that just came onboard here at DHTS:

- Drew Nagel, email drew.nagel@njoag.gov - cell (732)275-7585
- Loresa Daniel, email loresa.daniel@njoag.gov
- Tameka Fogg, email tameka.fogg@njoag.gov

As always, I invite you to contact our office via phone (609) 633-9300 or email HTSWebInfo@njoag.gov with questions, comments, or suggestions. You can also follow along with the NJ DHTS on social media to join the conversation on our traffic safety campaigns all year long:

- Facebook - [@NewJerseyDivisionofHighwayTrafficSafety](#)
- Twitter - [@NJTrafficSafety](#)
- Instagram- [@NJTrafficSafety](#),

For information on a wide array of traffic safety topics, please visit the Division’s frequently updated website at <https://www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-of-highway-traffic-safety-home/>



NJDHTS Gets a New Website

As part of the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General's online website's overall revision, all divisions and bureaus have also received new websites and webpages. The new web address for Highway Safety is:

<https://www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-of-highway-traffic-safety-home/>

The screenshot shows the new website for the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety. The header includes the State of New Jersey Department of Law & Public Safety logo and the name of the Attorney General, Gurbir S. Grewal. A navigation menu lists Home, About, Initiatives, Media, Careers, Resources, and Contact. The main content area features a sidebar with a 'Home' section containing links like 'About the Director', 'Director's Message', 'HTS Library', and 'Seat Belts'. The main content area has a heading 'Division of Highway Traffic Safety' followed by a paragraph describing the division's mission. Below this, there are two announcements regarding postponed crackdowns on impaired driving and distracted driving. A social media follow button is also visible.

If you go to the old website for DHTS, it should redirect you to the new website once you click on a link.



First Quarter Grant Reports Due – January 2021

Just as a reminder, if you received a grant for DHTS during the first quarter of the fiscal year (October 1, 2020, to December 31, 2020), your quarterly expense and activity reports were due in January. The reports are submitted via the SAGE system. If you are having any problems entering the information into SAGE, accessing as a new member, or are taking over the responsibility for the grant, you can reach out to Bob Gaydosh (robert.gaydosh@njoag.gov) at DHTS or your regional Supervisor from DHTS.



Traffic Safety Campaign for February

DHTS has monthly social media safety campaigns lined up and they are looking for all of us to help by getting involved. Below is a list of the campaigns, information, and graphics. We encourage you to post these on your social media and web sites. If you have any questions about any of these campaigns, contact your DHTS Regional Supervisor.

[Click here to download graphics for use on websites and social media.](#)



Pedestrian Safety

Remember always to keep your head and eyes up when crossing the street. Listen to one New Jersey mom tell her story: <https://youtu.be/tlhHt7qOtGg> #PedestrianSafety



Michele Walters



DHTS is Hiring

Notice of Job Vacancy #21-18

Looking for a job where you can make a difference - Want to use your expertise to help prevent crashes and deaths on New Jersey's roadways? The New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety is seeking to fill a Government Representative position to assist in community outreach and planning, reviewing grant applications, and developing the state highway safety plan. The job posting closes on 2/9/21.

For more information and how to apply, see the announcement in the appendix of this newsletter or click the following link: <https://bit.ly/3t1ppfv>.





Ice and Snow – Remove It Before You Go

Winter is now upon us and with that came a “little bit” of snow the other day. An important safety aspect for the general public that comes with the snow is that they must clean it off their car or truck before getting on NJ roadways.

Court records show that officers issued a total of 1447 summonses statewide in the past three years to operators for failure to remove snow or ice from their vehicles. Of course, the snowfall amount directly affects the number of summonses issued.

Here is the appropriate statute to use for this enforcement action:

39:4-77.1 Snow, ice dislodged from moving vehicle causing injury, property damage; penalties; public awareness campaign, data collection system.

1. a. (1) Each driver of a motor vehicle operated on a street or highway in this State shall have an affirmative duty to make all reasonable efforts to remove accumulated ice or snow from exposed surfaces of the motor vehicle prior to operation, which surfaces shall include, but not be limited to, the hood, trunk, windshield, windows, and roof of the motor vehicle, the cab of a truck, the top of a trailer or semitrailer being drawn by a motor vehicle, and the top of an intermodal freight container being carried by an intermodal chassis. A person who violates the provisions of this subsection may be stopped on a street or highway by a law enforcement officer who believes the accumulated ice or snow may pose a threat to persons or property

NJDHTS has a Palm Card to educate the motoring public on this topic, along with some winter driving tips. Click the link below to download a pdf version of the card:

https://www.nj.gov/oag/hts/downloads/Ice-Snow_Palm_Card_Web.pdf

Also, keep an eye out for an upcoming article by Larry Higgs from *nj.com* on this topic.



Enforcement Grant Available for April – UDrive. UText. UPay. April 1st to 30th - Distracted Driving Awareness Month

NJ Division of Highway Traffic Safety has announced a grant opportunity for all police agencies, the April Statewide Distracted Driving Crackdown **UDrive. UText. UPay.** will take place during the entire month of April. Grant funding available for overtime enforcement operations during the campaign.

Invitations and grant application instructions have been sent to agencies in municipalities in the Top 150 for Distracted Driving crashes.

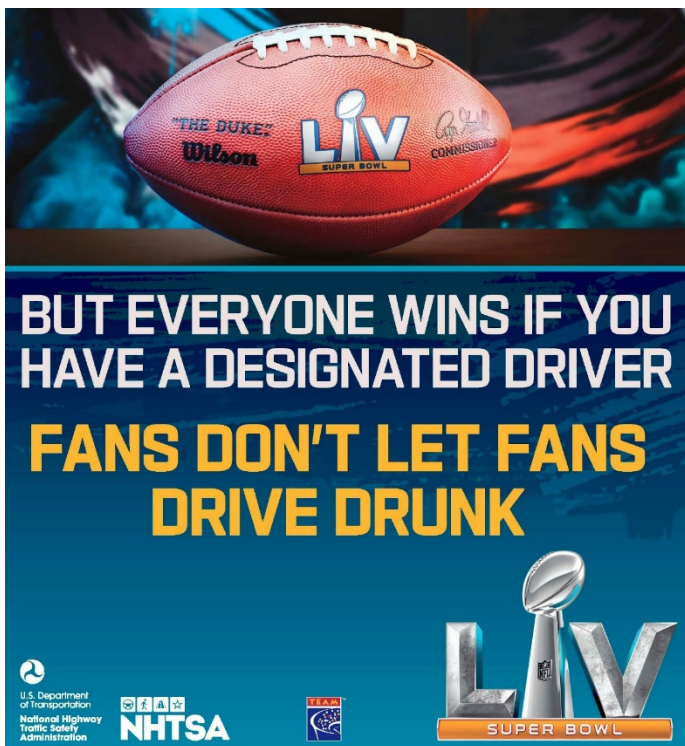
If your agency receives an invitation, please follow the directions, and submit your application in SAGE by the deadline of March 12th.

Agencies no in the Top 150 can also apply for grant funding if they feel they can make good use of the overtime hours during the campaign. These non-invited agencies should fill out the grant application in SAGE (available now through March 12th) and apply for 100 hours of overtime funding, a total grant amount of \$6,000.



All grant approvals by DHTS will be based on a review of the grant application submitted, past performance, and available funding in the grant.

The goal is to put extra patrols out on the streets the month of April to put forth a unified effort to make the highways safer for the motoring public.





2021 Crash Investigation Training Program



Through a continuing grant from the NJ Division of Highway Traffic Safety, Kean University and the NJ State Police have scheduled several Basic and Advanced Crash Investigation Training Classes across the state for 2021. Below is the list of classes being offered, along with the dates, locations, and contact information to register for a class. This list can also be found on DHTS's website at the following links:

Basic Crash Investigation - <https://www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-of-highway-traffic-safety-home/police-resources/basic-crash-investigation/>

Advanced Crash Investigation - <https://www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-of-highway-traffic-safety-home/police-resources/advanced-crash-investigation/>

Basic Crash Investigation

03/01/21 to 03/12/21
Somerset County Emergency Services Training Center
Bill Pauli - 908-541-5042

04/05/21 to 04/16/21
Morris County Police Academy
<https://academy.morriscountynj.gov/forms/>

04/12/21 to 04/23/21
Atlantic County Police Academy
Jeff Nettles – 609-407-6722

04/26/21 to 05/07/21
Ocean County Police Academy
Traci Dore – 732-363-8715

05/10/21 to 05/21/21
Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office Training Center
Nicole Ducca – 732-225-0750

5/10/21 to 05/21/21
Bergen County Law & Public Safety Institute
<https://policeregistration.bergen.org/index.php/register-for-class>

05/10/21 to 05/21/21
Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center
Howard Black – 609-265-7173

06/07/21 to 06/18/21
Passaic County Police Academy
Erica DeLuccia – 973-595-6411 x-3214

Advanced Crash Investigation

05/17/21 to 05/28/21
Morris County Police Academy
<https://academy.morriscountynj.gov/forms/>

05/10/21 to 05/21/21
Atlantic County Community College, Mays Landing Campus
Jeff Nettles – 609-407-6722

06/07/21 to 06/18/21
Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office Training Center
Nicole Ducca – 732-225-0750

06/14/21 to 06/25/21
Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center
Howard Black – 609-265-7173

07/12/21 to 07/23/21
Passaic County Police Academy
Erica DeLuccia – 973-595-6411 x-3214

09/13/21 to 09/24/21
Ocean County Police Academy
Traci Dore – 732-363-8715

Covid-19 Restrictions: at a minimum, the following precautions apply to all classes, social distancing, wearing of masks at all times, and daily temperature monitoring. Please contact the individual facilities for further details.

Updates from the New Jersey State Police



Division of NJ State Police Top 12 Most Wanted Fugitives

Click the below link to see who is on the NJ State Police's Most Wanted List:

<https://www.njsp.org/wanted/index.shtml>



Fatal Accident Investigation Unit

[Click here for more details from the NJSP Fatal Accident Unit](#)

Updated data shows that there were 552 fatal crashes, which resulted in 589 deaths for 2020, which was an increase over 2019. These numbers could change as more data is collected and analyzed.

Below is the statewide fatal crash data for the year-to-date comparison as of 10:00 am, February 5, 2021.

Fatal Crashes			Fatalities	
2021	51		2021	54
2020	54		2020	58
2019	51		2019	54

Difference in Fatalities from 2020 to 2021 = decrease of 4
Percentage of change between 2020 and 2021 = - 6.9%

Difference in Fatalities from 2019 to 2020 = increase of 4
Percentage of change between 2019 and 2020 = + 7.4%

If you ever have a question about a fatal crash or want to update information about one, feel free to contact the NJSP Fatal Accident Unit at (609) 882-2000 Ext. 2038

Updates from the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission



MVC Agency Closings

As of February 5th - Due to employees testing positive for COVID-19 at these locations, each center is scheduled to reopen on the following dates:

North Bergen Licensing will reopen Thursday, Feb. 18th

West Deptford MVC Center will be closed until Feb. 16th

Somerville Vehicle Center will reopen Monday, Feb. 8th

The Freehold Licensing Center will now be open by appointment only.

MVC Online

Many customers can skip the trip to the MVC by going online. Nearly 30 different Motor Vehicle Commission services and transactions are available for customers online at NJMVC.gov. This includes most standard license and registration renewals and replacements.

Over the last two months, approximately 85% of standard license renewals and 95% of vehicle registration renewals were completed without an in-person MVC visit.

MVC In-Person

Walk-ins are only allowed for first-time licenses/IDs/permits, name changes, and red decals at Licensing Centers. Other MVC transactions that can't be completed online require an appointment that customers need to schedule at NJMVC.gov.

Scheduling an Appointment

Appointments at Licensing and Vehicle Centers must be scheduled at NJMVC.gov. Additional appointments are being added daily, overnight, and up to 60 days in advance. Customers should check multiple MVC locations online after midnight to best secure an appointment.

Appointment Cancellations

Any appointments canceled due to an MVC location closure must be rescheduled on the website. Customers will get an email when their appointment has been canceled.

If a customer can't make their appointment, it should be canceled using the guidance in the confirmation email sent by the MVC upon booking, in order to open the appointment for others.

Renewals

License/ID and registration renewals that can't be completed online require an appointment. Renewals are not available on a walk-in basis.

Know Before You Go

Before all MVC appointments or walk-in visits, customers should log on to NJMVC.gov to check whether the agency might be closed because of an employee testing positive for COVID-19, or for any other reason. The MVC has 39 locations to serve customers throughout the state.

Customers can complete many transactions online, schedule appointments, and find out more about MVC operations on the website. Customers can also identify whether a license or vehicle transaction is available online, by appointment, or by walk-in using the "How do I...?" Cheat Sheet on the MVC home page.

Now that snow is upon us, we see pickups and other trucks with snowplows running around with flashing yellow (amber) lights. In case you are not aware, the use of these and other flashing lights are regulated by Title 39 and NJ Administrative Code, overseen by NJMVC, and many are being used in violation of statutes.

Summons can be issued to operators of vehicles for improper use of the lights and/or not having the proper permit for them. Outlined below are the regulations pertaining to flashing Amber, Blue, and Red lights on privately owned vehicles. Particular attention should be made to the lights' type and mounting locations and when these lights can be operated. Following the regulations are links to the various application forms for the permits.

Questions related to applications and permits may be directed to the MVC's Business Licensing Services Bureau at (609) 292-6500 ext. 5014.

Amber Light Permit

Please refer to N.J.S.A. 39:3-50, N.J.S.A. 39:3-54.24, 54.25, and N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.1 et. seq., for the full text of the provisions governing the application for and the use of flashing amber lights.

PERMIT ELIGIBILITY - Owners or lessees of vehicles to be used for the following business operations are eligible for flashing amber light permits:

(1) TOW TRUCKS BEARING COMMERCIAL REGISTRATION - The use of the flashing amber light is restricted to operation on a public highway at the scene of an accident or breakdown while preparations are being made for vehicle removal and while the tow truck is towing or transporting the disabled vehicle from the scene of an accident or breakdown to the place of storage or repair. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.1(a)1) See: Applicable Codes Below

(2) SERVICE VEHICLES BEARING COMMERCIAL REGISTRATION - A flashing amber light may be used on a public highway where such warning light activation is necessary for the protection of the public or service vehicle personnel. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.1(a)2) "Service vehicle" means any vehicle bearing commercial registration that is used to perform some type of maintenance, inspection, or repair function within the confines of public highways or any vehicle used to transport or escort over-dimensional loads on public highways. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-1.1) See: Applicable Codes Below

(3) SNOW-REMOVAL AND /OR SANDING VEHICLES BEARING COMMERCIAL REGISTRATION - Use of the flashing amber light is permitted only where such vehicle is actually engaged in snow removal, sanding or plowing operation on a public highway, and the vehicle owner or lessee has a snow-removal or sanding contract with a governmental agency. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.1(a)3) See: Applicable Codes Below

(4) NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NJDOT) CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR (CONSULTANT/SUB-CONSULTANT) EMPLOYEE VEHICLES BEARING PASSENGER REGISTRATION - The use of a flashing amber light is permitted on a vehicle owned or leased by an employee of a contractor or subcontractor (consultant or sub-consultant) of the NJDOT, and the amber light may be operated only when the vehicle is being utilized by the employee in the performance of his or her official duties at a NJDOT worksite. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.1(a)5) Codes: 1 thru 9 and 15

(5) NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY OR SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY CONTRACTOR/SUB-CONTRACTOR (CONSULTANT/SUB-CONSULTANT) EMPLOYEE VEHICLES BEARING PASSENGER REGISTRATION - The use of a flashing amber light is permitted on a vehicle owned or leased by an employee of a contractor or subcontractor (consultant or sub-consultant) of the NJHA or SJTA, and the amber light may be operated only when the vehicle is being used by the employee in the performance of his or her assigned duties at a worksite of the applicable Authority. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.1(a)6) Codes: 1 thru 9 and 15

(6) SECURITY SERVICES VEHICLES BEARING COMMERCIAL REGISTRATION - The use of a flashing amber light is permitted on a vehicle bearing commercial registration, which is owned or leased by a business that provides security services for commercial businesses or private residences, and the use of the amber light is permitted only while the vehicle is actually engaged in providing security services. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.1(a)7) See: Applicable Codes Below

APPLICABLE COMMERCIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION CODES for permits 1, 2, 3 and 6. Codes: 11, 16, 23, 31, 32, 33, 39, 41, 51, 52 and 56.

MOUNTING OF LIGHTS - A flashing amber light utilized on a vehicle shall be mounted so that at least one such light is clearly visible from every direction when the vehicle is being used for the type of employment or service for which the permit was issued. Alternately flashing or strobe headlights are prohibited and shall not be incorporated into the housing of any lighting permitted. (N.J.A.C. 13:24-4.4)

Blue Light Permit

INFORMATION PERTAINING TO BLUE EMERGENCY WARNING LIGHT REGULATIONS ELIGIBILITY: Applicant for permit authorizing the use of blue emergency warning lights pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:24 et seq., may be considered eligible only if the applicant is an active member in good standing of a volunteer fire company, first aid or rescue squad, or a county or municipal Office of Emergency Management volunteer whose official duties include responding to a fire or emergency call.

POSSESSION AND EXHIBITION OF PERMIT: The permit must be in the possession of the operator at all times when the blue light(s) are operated on the vehicle and must be exhibited upon the request of any law enforcement official.

PERMIT VALIDITY, CANCELLATION, REVOCATION: Permits are valid for four (4) years from the date of issuance and are non-transferable. When a person to whom a permit is issued ceases to be an active member in good standing of a volunteer fire company, volunteer first aid or rescue squad, or a volunteer Office of Emergency Management, the permit must be surrendered. Permits must be surrendered to the Motor Vehicle Commission within ten (10) days of the date of cancellation or revocation.

MOUNTING OF LIGHTS: Emergency warning lights shall be removable or permanently attached of the flashing or revolving type, equipped with a blue lens and controlled by a switch installed inside the vehicle, or shall be blue of the light bar type. No more than two emergency warning lights shall be installed on a vehicle. If one light is used it shall be installed in the center of the roof of the vehicle, or on the front of the vehicle so that the top of the emergency warning light is no higher than the top of the vehicle's headlights, or in the center of the dashboard. It may be a low profile light bar of the strobe, halogen, or incandescent type, or a combination thereof. If two lights are used, they may be placed on the windshield columns on each side of the vehicle where spotlights are normally mounted, or on either side of the roof at the front of the vehicle directly back of the top of the windshield. Under no circumstances may one light be placed on the roof and one on the windshield column in the spotlight position. Light elements shall be shielded from direct sight of view of the driver.

ALTERNATING FLASHING OR STROBE HEADLIGHTS ARE PROHIBITED AND SHALL NOT BE INCORPORATED INTO THE HOUSING OF ANY LIGHTING.

USE: The blue emergency warning lights may be used only when the vehicle is being operated in response to an emergency. Any other use of the light is prohibited.

Red Light and Siren Permits

INFORMATION PERTAINING TO RED LIGHT/SIREN PERMITS ELIGIBILITY: Applicants for permits authorizing the use of red lights and/or sirens pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:24 et seq., may be considered eligible only if the vehicle intended to display the red light/siren is:

Owned by and registered in the name of the current chief or first assistant chief of a volunteer fire company, or chief officer of the first aid or rescue squad;

Owned or leased by an organization engaged in the manufacturer and/or sale of emergency vehicle or equipment and operated by an employee thereof only for the purposes of demonstration or delivery.

POSSESSION AND EXHIBITION OF PERMIT: The permit issued must be in the possession of the operator at all times when the red lights and/or sirens are displayed on the vehicle and must be exhibited upon the request of any law enforcement official.

PERMIT VALIDITY; CANCELLATION: Permits are valid for two (2) years from the date of issuance and are non-transferable. The Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission may cancel or revoke a permit for the following reasons: expiration/termination, for any reason, of term of office of contract which entitled the holder to the permit; the sale, transfer, destruction, or termination of lease for the vehicle for which the permit was issued, a violation of any of the conditions applying to such permit as stated in N.J.A.C 13:24 et seq.; and/or upon the conviction of the operator for any violation of Title 39, Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulations involving the use of lights and/or sirens.

The permit holder must surrender cancelled or revoked permits for red lights/sirens to the Motor Vehicle Commission within 10 days of the cancellation/revocation.

MOUNTING OF LIGHTS: Red lights placed on a vehicle owned by and registered in the name of the current chief or first assistant chief of a volunteer fire company, or chief officer of a first aid or rescue squad shall be mounted only on the exterior of the vehicle and will consist of not more than two (2) magnetic base type removable lights. If only one (1) red light is used, it will be mounted on the center of the roof, or the left windshield column. If two (2) lights are used, they will be mounted on either side of the roof at the front of the vehicle directly behind the top of the windshield or on each windshield column.

Permit Application Forms

Below are links to fillable pdf application forms for various types of special lights, the form also have the regulations included for each type of light.

[BLS-34 Amber Light Permit application](#) for tow trucks, service vehicles, snow removal, USPS carrier, security services, NJDOT/NJTA/SJTA Contractor/Sub-Contractor/Consultant/Sub-Consultant [rev 7/2011]

[BLS-34a Amber Warning Light Permit Application- Public Utility Company Employee](#)

[BLC-50 Red Light Permit application- Municipal OEM Coord](#)

[BLC-51 Red Light Permit application- County OEM Coordinator](#)

[BLC-54 Blue Light Permit application – Volunteer Fire Dept, First Aid or Rescue Squad](#)

[BLC-54a Blue Light Permit application- NJ Civil Air Patrol](#)

[BLC-54b Blue Light Permit application- County Emergency Management](#)

[BLC-54c Blue Light Permit application- Municipal Emergency Management](#)

[BLC-56 Red Light and/or Siren Permit application](#)

[BLC-56a Red Light Permit application- Search & Rescue](#)

Updates from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



US Department of
Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

Follow NHTSA on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to keep up to date with the latest recalls and safety campaigns



Saint Patrick's Day Buzzed Driving Prevention - March 17, 2021

St. Patrick's Day is one of the deadliest times on our nation's roads. During the 2015-2019 St. Patrick's Day period, 280 lives were lost in drunk-driving crashes.

In 2019 alone, 57 people were killed in drunk-driving crashes over the St. Patrick's Day period.

Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving

Please use these marketing tools to fit your needs and objectives while, at the same time, partnering with other States, communities, and traffic safety organizations on this impaired driving prevention initiative.

Click [here](#) to get your campaign materials now.



Vehicle Safety Recalls Week == March 8-12, 2021

NHTSA manages vehicle safety recalls, sets vehicle safety standards, and requires automakers to recall vehicles with safety defects or do not meet those standards.

During Vehicle Safety Recalls Week, NHTSA wants to increase awareness of the urgency of safety recalls and to encourage the driving public to check and see if there's an open recall on their vehicle. Vehicle Safety Recalls Week is March 8-12, 2021. [Click here to get the 2021 campaign materials.](#)



Rail Grade Crossing Campaign >>> March 22–April 12, 2021

Stop. Trains Can't.

Although accidents at railroad crossings are an old problem, the problem is easily avoidable. This campaign focuses on reversing the uptick in railroad crossing fatalities. Its message is simple.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.transportation.gov/stop-trains-cant>

[Click here to download campaign material](#)





NHTSA Office of EMS urges first responders to remain vigilant and prepare for potential unrest



Resources to help the EMS community plan for potential events are available on <https://www.ems.gov/>

In light of the violence at the US Capitol, it is important that every member of the EMS community maintains situational awareness and prioritizes their safety and the safety of their colleagues and patients.

To help prepare, EMS clinicians are asked to review the document [Fire and EMS Response to Civil Unrest](#) on EMS.gov. It includes specific steps that can be taken to prepare personnel, stations, apparatus, and the community for emergency response in a challenging environment. You can also find additional resources from [the US Fire Administration](#) and the [International Association of Fire Chiefs](#).



National EMS Advisory Council Meeting Webcast Feb. 10-11

The National EMS Advisory Council will be holding a virtual meeting on Wednesday and Thursday, February 10-11. Members of the public can register for the webcast and view the full agenda [here](#).

The agenda for each day includes meetings of NEMSAC committees during the morning sessions, with the webcast beginning when the full council convenes at 1 pm ET on Wednesday, February 10, 2021, and 1 pm ET on Thursday, February 11, 2021. Items on the council's agenda include:

- FICEMS strategic plan
- CMS Emergency Triage, Treat and Transport Model (ET3)
- Body Cams in EMS
- Human Trafficking
- EMS and Public Health Emergencies
- Workforce Development: Diversity and Inclusion
- EMS Response to Civil Unrest



[Click here to register and for more information.](#)

A network of Employers for Traffic Safety (NETS) Drug-Impaired Driving Campaign

NETS has released a new drug-impaired driving website developed through a cooperative agreement with NHTSA. The campaign toolkit, geared toward employers, addresses an issue that has not only become a primary concern for traffic safety professionals, but also a major concern for employers. [Read more >>](#)



2020 Winter Driving Tips - Focus on Safety

When the chilly temperatures of winter set in, will your vehicle be ready for the cold?

Are motorists prepared to drive in inclement weather, such as heavy rain, snow, and ice? Planning and preventative maintenance are essential year-round ... but especially when it comes to winter driving.

[Click here for NHTSA's 2020 winter driving tips.](#)



NHTSA Recall Campaign Number: 21V014000

Ford Motor Company is recalling certain 2020 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor Utility and 2020 Lincoln Aviator vehicles. The affected vehicles contain windshield washer fluid that was contaminated with brake fluid. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 104, "Windshield Wiping and Washing Systems."

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will flush out the washer system, replacing the washer bottleneck, washer pump assembly, fluid level sensor and the front and rear wiper blades. Dealers will also inspect and repair the vehicle's paint and exterior components if affected, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on March 8, 2021. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 21C01.



NHTSA Rule Change: Odometer Disclosure Requirements

Starting January 1, 2021, [odometer disclosures](#) are required for every transfer of ownership for the first 20 years, beginning with Model Year 2011 vehicles. The model Year 2010 and older vehicles will continue to be subject to the previous 10-year disclosure requirements and thus are exempt from extended Federal odometer disclosure requirements.



NHTSA Communications Calendar & Upcoming Campaigns

The 2021 NHTSA Communications Calendar and the 2021 Highway Traffic Safety Events Calendar are available in TSM.

[Click here to get a head start on your planning and to align with NHTSA's traffic safety campaigns for 2021](#)

Below is the schedule of upcoming national traffic safety campaigns sponsored by NHTSA, for the months of April and May.

April (Entire Month) National Distracted Driving Awareness Month NHTSA

www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/distracted-driving

April 1 National Walking Day NHTSA

www.nhtsa.gov

April 5–12 National Distracted Driving Awareness Week NHTSA

www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/distracted-driving

April 11–17 National 911 Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

www.npstw.org

April 26–30 National Work Zone Awareness Week Federal Highway Administration

www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/outreach/wz_awareness.htm

May (Entire Month) Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/motorcycle-safety

May (Entire Month) National Bicycle Safety Month

www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/bicycle-safety

May 1 National Heatstroke Prevention Day

www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/child-safety/heatstroke-prevention

Updates from the National Law Enforcement Liaison Program



Tips to Testify: Pro se, Pro Per and Self-Represented Litigants

By The Honorable Earl G. Penrod This article originally appeared in the [January 2017](#) issue of *The LEL*.

Most Law Enforcement Officers appreciate that testifying in court is an important responsibility and merits proper preparation. Being examined and cross-examined by aggressive attorneys can be somewhat stressful, regardless of the nature of the case. Police officers also should anticipate and prepare for the special challenges and potential pitfalls of testifying in a case with a party proceeding without an attorney.

Whether the case involves a traffic citation, a criminal charge, or a civil case, an officer must interact professionally with an unrepresented party, who may be referred to as a self-represented litigant, a pro per party or a party proceeding pro se. Although some self-represented parties can cause a case to be more challenging for witnesses and other participants, self-represented litigants are deserving of respect. After all, access to the courts and the right to have one's case fairly heard and decided does not depend upon one's ability or willingness to hire an attorney.

When being examined by a pro se party, the officer may be frustrated by questions that are not easily answered or may seem to be more a statement than a question. Because the question and answer format of testimony is not a typical method of communication in everyday discourse, pro se litigants sometimes struggle to properly examine or cross-examine a witness. The officer should not criticize or respond sarcastically to poorly worded questions. It can be counterproductive to directly challenge the pro se litigant's meandering and verbose question or respond to a question with a question. Also, an officer must be careful not to appear to be arguing with the litigant when that litigant challenges or contradicts answers provided by the witness.

If a pro se litigant is unable or unwilling to ask understandable and answerable questions, the police officer must remain composed and professional and respond to the question as directly as possible. However, if the questioner persists in conducting an improper examination, the officer should expect an objection by the prosecuting attorney or the attorney for the other party in a civil case. And while it may seem to come far too late in the process, a judge may eventually step in and provide some direction and admonishment as appropriate to maintain order and decorum, even if the other side does not offer an objection.

TIP TO TESTIFY: When being examined or cross-examined by a self-represented litigant, patience is an important virtue for the officer.

The Honorable Earl G. Penrod is a Judge of the Gibson Superior Court in Indiana.

<https://www.nlelp.org/tips-to-testify-pro-se-pro-per-and-self-represented-litigants/>

<https://www.americanbar.org/groups/litigation/committees/trial-evidence/practice/2020/tips-defending-against-pro-se-litigant/>





In Case You Missed it >>> The Kick Start of the New Year Webinar



On January 28th, the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) and the National Law Enforcement Liaison (NLELP) Program, in partnership with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), kick-started the New Year with a virtual networking event.

In case you missed it, you can view a recording of the hour-long webinar at [no cost by clicking here](#).

They discussed upcoming events planned for 2021, including upcoming mobilizations and webinars, the multi-day LEL Conference that will include the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutors, and the GHSA Annual Meeting set to be held in-person in Denver this September.

Also discussed was a newly released report on teens and speeding and law enforcement's role and the highly anticipated speed management pilot program's status.

Speakers included:

- Chuck DeWeese, GHSA Chair & Assistant Commissioner for the New York Safety Commission
- Jonathan Adkins, GHSA Executive Director
- Pam Fischer, GHSA Senior Director of External Engagement
- Wil Price, NHTSA Highway Safety Specialist
- Tim Burrows, NLELP Program Manager

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/7386664663569840144>

Updates from the Federal Bureau of Investigation



The latest edition of the [FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin](#) is now available online.

The Bulletin is now on Twitter. You can follow us [@FBILEB](#).

FBI Asks for Assistance in Identifying Possible Victims in Child Pornography Investigation

Officials are asking for help in identifying possible victims in a sextortion investigation involving a man from Port Chester, New York, Jose Zafra. [Click here for the full story](#)

Ten Most Wanted Fugitives

The official FBI Ten Most Wanted Fugitives list is maintained on the FBI website. This information may be copied and distributed. However, any unauthorized alteration of any portion of the FBI's Ten Most Wanted Fugitives posters is a violation of federal law

[Click here to go to the FBI's Ten Most Wanted website](#)

[National Press Releases](#)

Click on the headline to read the press release for each story.

[The National Cyber Investigative Joint Task Force Releases Ransomware Fact Sheet](#)

The NCIJTF's ransomware fact sheet provides the public with important information on the current ransomware threat and the government's response.

[Emotet Malware Disrupted](#)

The FBI worked alongside foreign law enforcement and private sector partners in an innovative, coordinated effort to take down a destructive malware known as Emotet.

[Jeffrey S. Sallet Named FBI Associate Deputy Director](#)

Director Christopher Wray has named Jeffrey S. Sallet as the associate deputy director of the FBI.

[Paul M. Abbate Named FBI Deputy Director](#)

Director Christopher Wray has named Paul M. Abbate as the deputy director of the FBI.

[FBI Seeking Individual Who May Have Information Regarding the Identity of a Child Sexual Assault Victim](#)

The FBI is asking for the public's help in identifying Jane Doe 43, an unknown female who may have critical information pertaining to the identity of a child victim in an ongoing sexual exploitation investigation.

[FBI New Jersey News](#)

Click on the headline to read the press release for each story.

[Former New Jersey Department of Child Protection and Permanency Employee Admits Production of Child Pornography](#)

[Burlington County Man Admits \\$350,000 Fraud Scheme](#)

[Somerset County Man Admits Defrauding Former Employer of More Than \\$1 Million](#)

[Former Atlantic City Mayor Sentenced to One Month in Prison, 11 Months of Home Confinement for Defrauding Contributors to Youth Basketball Team](#)

[Middlesex County Man Admits Role in Wire Fraud Scheme to Defraud Investors](#)

[Three Individuals Charged in Connection with Scheme to Defraud New Jersey Health Care Program of More Than \\$4.5 Million](#)

[Union County Man Sentenced to 10 Years in Prison for Firearms Offense in Connection with a Shooting](#)

[Burlington County Doctor Sentenced to 33 Months in Prison for Role in \\$24 Million Telemedicine Compounded Medication Scheme](#)

[Romanian National Sentenced to Five Years in Prison for Role in ATM Skimming Conspiracy](#)

[Burlington County Man Admits Interfering with Law Enforcement Officers During Civil Disorder](#)

[New York Life Insurance Broker Admits Securities Fraud Scheme](#)

[Philadelphia Man Arrested for COVID-19 PPE Fraud](#)

[Fourth New Jersey Man Charged in Connection with an Interstate Luxury Car Theft Ring](#)

[Pharmacy Owner's Son Admits Role in \\$24.8 Million Kickback Scheme and \\$9 Million Conspiracy to Defraud IRS](#)

[Researcher Charged with Theft of Trade Secrets from New Jersey-Based Pharmaceutical Company](#)

[Crips Gang Member Sentenced to 100 Months in Prison in Connection with Attempted Murder as Part of RICO Conspiracy](#)

[Former Newark Police Officer Sentenced to Nine Years in Prison for Conspiracy to Defraud Newark Conservation and Development Corporation](#)

[Updates from the New Jersey Attorney General's Office](#)

<https://www.njoag.gov/> is the new website for the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General. If you have any comments, issues, or feedback, please contact the webmaster@njoag.gov or Citizen Services at 609-984-5828. Here is the new web address for the AG's Directives <https://www.njoag.gov/resources/ag-directives/>



[Division of Criminal Justice Top 12 Most Wanted Fugitives](#)

[Click here to go to the dcj's 12 wanted list](#)

Division of Criminal Justice News

Click on the headline to read the press release for each story.

[Former Payroll Clerk for Jersey City Department of Recreation Pleads Guilty to Stealing \\$80,000 by Falsely Inflating Payroll Hours for Relatives and Associates](#)

[Statement of Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal on Today's U.S. District Court Ruling Upholding the Immigrant Trust Directive](#)

[Salem County Man Sentenced to Five Years in State Prison for Distributing Child Sexual Abuse Materials on the Internet](#)

[State Police and Division of Criminal Justice Charge Nine During 11-Month Auto-Theft Investigation](#)

[Former Meter Reader for New Brunswick Water Department Sentenced to Five Years in State Prison for Reducing Bills in Return for Bribes](#)

[Employee of Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission Charged With Paying Bribe to Senior Official at the Agency](#)

[AG Grewal Announces that Florida Company Agrees to Stop Selling Large Capacity Ammunition and to Pay \\$135,000 to Settle Lawsuit over Sales into New Jersey](#)

[Indictment Charges Woman With Stealing \\$268,000 By Fraudulently Collecting Survivor Benefits From Deceased Husband's Pension After She Remarried](#)

Updates from the US Department of Justice



THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Report: Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice

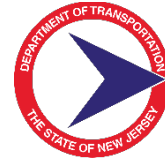
On October 28, 2019, President Donald Trump signed Executive Order No. 13896, which directed the Department of Justice to establish the "Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice."

The purpose of the Commission is to conduct a modern study of the state of American policing and determine specific measures to reduce crime and promote the rule of law. At the conclusion of this study, the Commission was instructed to issue a report with recommendations, which the Attorney General would submit to the President.

Under the directive of the President's order, the final report of the Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice was completed in December 2020. The Commission has worked diligently to compose a report that should have a lasting impact to improve American law enforcement for years to come. It did so, moreover, under significant challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite these challenges, the Commission continued its work to assemble a report that reviewed a diversity of important issues that affect law enforcement and their capacity to safeguard American communities.

Click the link to download the 332-page report <https://www.justice.gov/file/1347866/download>

Updates from the New Jersey Dept of Transportation



\$1 million in FY 2021 Bikeway grants to fund projects in several counties

The Murphy Administration announced five Bikeway Grants totaling \$1 million to help advance local Bikeway projects in four counties – Atlantic, Burlington, Hudson, and Ocean counties. “Transportation infrastructure is more than just roads and bridges. Investing in bikeways encourages people to consider alternate forms of public transportation,” NJDOT Commissioner Diane GutierrezScaccetti said. “The Murphy administration recognizes the importance of quality-of-life projects funded by the Bikeway Grant Program.” The Bikeway Grant Program provides \$1 million in grants annually to counties and municipalities in order to promote bikeways as an alternate mode of transportation that support the State’s goal of achieving 1,000 new miles of dedicated bikeways in New Jersey.

[Click here for more information](#)



Department of Transportation Readopting Traffic Regulations and Traffic Control Devices Rule

The New Jersey Department of Transportation is issuing notice of re-adoption with amendments at N.J.A.C. 16:27. The purpose of these rules is to set forth the Department’s procedures concerning the regulation of traffic, particularly as to obtaining approvals for traffic control devices, both existing and new, and the design standards, installation and inspection of those devices.

Amendments are necessary to clarify the procedures for the approval of new and existing traffic control devices and traffic regulations on State highways, update information regarding the standards, and reorganize rule text.

The proposal was published in the January 4, 2021 issue of New Jersey Register at 53 N.J.R. 19(a). It may be viewed on the [Department’s rule proposals page here](#).

The public may send in written comments by the close of the public comment period on **March 4, 2021** via the [Department’s website comment form](#), or via the following mail or email addresses:

Paul F. Sprewell
Administrative Practice Officer
NJ Department of Transportation
PO Box 600, Trenton, NJ 08625-0600
Email: NJDOTRules@dot.nj.gov

[Submit Comments Online](#)

[Updates from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission](#)

DVRPC serves as the regional planning agency for the nine-county, bi-state, Greater Philadelphia region, providing guidance and assistance to local governments and partner agencies building sustainable, livable, and healthy communities. Serving Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, and Mercer Counties in New Jersey)



Safe Routes to Transit: Bordentown Station

This report proposes a series of design treatments focusing on low-cost, high-impact interventions around Bordentown Station on New Jersey Transit (NJ Transit's) River LINE light rail. Working with various partners, most notably the City of Bordentown and Burlington County, DVRPC assisted with the implementation steps to assist the municipality in funding and building a series of safety improvements for people walking and biking to the River LINE station and downtown Bordentown.

[Click here for the report](#)

Brainstorm Strategies for *Connections 2050*

Through the visioning process held from April to July 2020, we heard from over 700 individuals about their values, concerns, and vision for the future of Greater Philadelphia. Now, join DVRPC in identifying what the region needs to do to achieve that vision by 2050.



You are invited to one or more of the following interactive workshops (pre-registration is encouraged):

Energy & The Environment

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

[Register](#)

(Hosted by DVRPC's Climate Change Adaptation Forum)

Equity & Civic Engagement

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

[Register](#)

(Hosted by the Public Participation Task Force)

Economy & The Built Environment

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Register](#)

(Hosted by DVRPC's Regional Community & Economic Development Forum and Healthy Communities Task Force)

Updates from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority



The NJTPA is the federally authorized Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for 6.7 million people in the 13-county northern New Jersey region.

Plan 2050 Background Paper Details NJTPA's Commitment to Combat Climate Change

Rising sea levels and more extreme weather patterns that increase flooding are among the climate change impacts of great concern to North Jersey communities. The NJTPA's plans and programs can help avert and address those impacts, according to **Climate Change and Transportation**, a new background paper issued to inform the update of the long range transportation plan, **Plan 2050: Transportation, People, Opportunity**.

Annual precipitation in New Jersey is projected to increase 4 to 11 percent by 2050. Of particular concern, the paper says, is that the increase will come in the form of "more frequent, intense, and extreme rain events," adding to the flooding in vulnerable communities along the region's extensive coastline and waterways.

[Click here for more information](#)



Date: February 10, 2021

Times: 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Join us for a virtual listening session, where you tell us what works (and what we need to improve!) in the transportation system you use every day. This open house drop-in session is dedicated to hearing your thoughts and ideas about a variety of transportation concerns.

Your input is critical to inform the NJTPA's next long-range transportation plan. Plan 2050 will recommend policies, programs, and investments that will affect everyone in northern and central New Jersey.

This is a drop-in event. Join whenever you can and stay as long as you want between 6:00PM & 8:00PM.

Register at <http://bit.ly/TalkTransportation3>

Updates from the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization



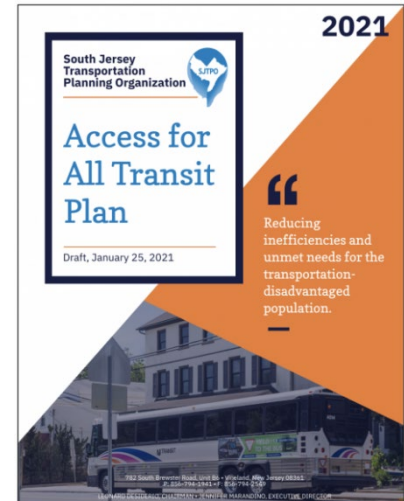
South Jersey
Transportation
Planning Organization

The South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO), a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) covering Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem counties, provides a regional approach to solving transportation issues. SJTPO synchronizes the planning actions of participating regional agencies and provides a forum for transportation planning and decision making among officials, operators, and the public.

Public Comment Opportunity: Draft Access for All Transit Plan

The Access for All Transit Plan serves as the update to the 2015 Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan. The Access for All Transit Plan is a federally required plan that identifies the unmet transportation needs and recommends measures to increase service quality and reduce the cost of providing services to a segment of the region's transportation disadvantaged population.

The comment period will be open from Monday, January 25, 2021 through Wednesday, February 24, 2021. Additionally, two virtual public meetings will be held in early to mid-February. To view the Draft Access for All Transit Plan and to register to attend a public meeting, visit the [Access for All Transit Plan webpage](#).



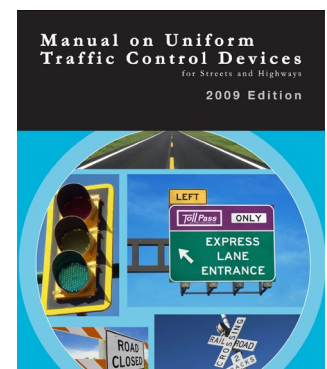
Updates from the Federal Highway Administration



FHWA Extends Comment Period for Proposed MUTCD Updates to May 14

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) officials extended the comment period for proposed revisions to the "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" (MUTCD) to May 14, 2021. The 60-day extension will allow additional time for public participation in the MUTCD's first major update in more than 10 years.

[Click here for more info](#)





FHWA Awards \$9.95 Million to the University of Michigan for Smart Intersections

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) awarded a \$9.95 million Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) grant to the University of Michigan for the Smart Intersections: Paving the Way for a National CAV Deployment Project. The ATCMTD program this year awarded grants valued at \$49.6 million to 10 projects that use cutting-edge technologies to improve mobility and safety for America's travelers.

[Click here for more information](#)



FHWA Awards \$3.2 Million to Georgia for Emergency Vehicle CV Technologies

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) awarded a \$3.2 million Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) grant to the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Emergency Vehicle Preemption Using Connected Vehicle Technology project.

[Click here for more information](#)



Video Series Promotes STEP Countermeasures

The FHWA Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian ([STEP](#)) program has a series of [videos](#) that demonstrate how to reduce crash risk for pedestrians crossing roadways.

Each video highlights local transportation officials to show how pedestrians and drivers use or interact at the crossing improvements. The series explains the safety benefits of five countermeasures, including:

- [Crosswalk visibility enhancements](#)
- [Refuge islands](#)
- [Raised crosswalks](#)
- [Pedestrian hybrid beacons](#)
- [Road diets](#)

You can use these videos in public meetings, conferences, or share them through social media to help educate pedestrians, drivers, and local decision-makers.

To learn more about the STEP countermeasures featured in these videos, please contact [Becky Crowe](#) of the FHWA Office of Safety or [Peter Eun](#) of the FHWA Resource Center.



FTA Announces \$15.8 Million in Grant Awards to 37 Projects Nationwide

The FTA [announced](#) on January 19th that [37 projects](#) nationwide will receive a share of \$15.8 million in funding to support strategies to improve transit operations and enhance the mobility of transit users affected by the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Projects selected as part of FTA's new [Public Transportation COVID-19 Research Demonstration Program](#) will demonstrate innovative solutions, including cleaning and disinfecting protocols for transit vehicles, facilities and equipment; exposure mitigation measures and contactless payment systems.

New Jersey Transit will receive \$600,000 from this funding to use video analytics and artificial intelligence to address COVID-19 exposures on transit vehicles via heat mapping, face mask detection and capacity management. NJT will launch and evaluate this pilot program on the RiverLINE light rail line in South Jersey.



Federal Mask Requirement on all Public Transportation Systems

On January 31st the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [issued an Order](#) imposing a mask requirement applicable to public transportation systems, rail, and van, bus and motorcoach service providers to mitigate the risk of COVID-19. The CDC Order implements President Biden's [Executive Order 13998](#), Promoting COVID-19 Safety in Domestic and International Travel, "to save lives and allow all Americans, including the millions of people employed in the transportation industry, to travel and work safely."

Science-based measures are critical to preventing the spread of COVID-19. Mask-wearing is one of several proven life-saving measures including physical distancing, appropriate ventilation and timely testing that can reduce the transmission of COVID-19. Requiring masks will protect America's transportation workers and passengers, help control the transmission of COVID-19, and aid in re-opening America's economy.

In addition to the CDC order, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) anticipates issuing additional information and guidance on this topic.

The U.S. Department of Transportation has posted [Frequently Asked Questions](#) online and will continue to add to this site with additional information in the coming days.

Please share the mask mandate information with colleagues and send questions to:

TransitMaskUp@dot.gov



FTA Announces \$766.5 Million Grant to NJ Transit for the Portal North Bridge Project in Hudson County

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration (FTA) today announced a \$766.5 million Capital Investment Grant (CIG) agreement with New Jersey Transit Corporation (New Jersey Transit) for the Portal North Bridge Project in Hudson County, New Jersey. The project will improve the reliability of commuter rail service between New Jersey and New York by increasing capacity and reducing bridge maintenance expenses of the 100-year old bridge.

[Click here to read the full press release](#)

Updates from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**Federal Motor Carrier
Safety Administration**

Over 56,000 Truck Driver Drug and Alcohol Violations Recorded in 2020

More than 56,000 drug and alcohol violations were recorded in the Federal Motor Carrier Database in 2020. The number of violations increased by roughly 10,000 over the final two months of 2020, the first full year of operation for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse.

[Read more](#)

U.S. Department of Transportation Lays Out Strategy for Automated Trucking

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The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration plans to host a series of sessions with ADS-equipped commercial motor vehicle (CMV) developers, truck manufacturers, motor carriers, industry associations, and other groups to further develop industry-based standards for trucks that will eventually be operated without a driver.

[Read more >>](#)

Updates from the Federal Railroad Administration



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**Federal Railroad
Administration**

Stop. Trains Can't.

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) have launched a national railroad crossing safety ad campaign to increase public awareness around railroad tracks and reduce crossing deaths and injuries. Although accidents at railroad crossings are an old problem, the problem is easily avoidable. This ad is the latest in a three-year, focused effort to reverse the uptick in railroad crossing fatalities. Its message is simple: Stop. Trains Can't.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/rail-grade-crossing/stop-trains-cant>.

Railroads' Emergency Contact Phone Numbers

Use these phone numbers to report a vehicle on tracks, a crash involving a train, something blocking the tracks, a signal malfunction, or if you need to stop rail traffic. Provide the location, crossing number (if posted), and the name of the road or highway that crosses the tracks. And be sure to specify exactly what the situation is and what you type of assistance you need.

NJ TRANSIT Police Communications Center 800-242-0236 or 973-378-6565

Amtrak	1-800-331-0008
BNSF Railway	1-800-832-5452
CSX	1-800-232-0144
Canadian National	1-800-465-9239
Canadian Pacific	1-800-716-9132
Kansas City Southern	1-800-892-6295
Norfolk Southern	1-800-453-2530
Union Pacific	1-888-877-7267

Updates from the Maritime Administration



MARAD Authorizes the Construction of Two Additional National Security Multi-Mission Vessels

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration (MARAD) authorized the construction of two additional National Security Multi-Mission Vessels (NSMV), which will replace aging training vessels at Maine Maritime Academy in Castine, Maine, and Texas A&M Maritime Academy in Galveston, Texas. MARAD previously authorized the construction of the first two NSMVs, destined for SUNY Maritime College in Bronx, New York, and Massachusetts Maritime Academy, in Bourne, Massachusetts, on April 8, 2020.

With this authorization, the recapitalization of our nation's aging maritime training fleet is nearly complete. Construction of all authorized vessels at Philly Shipyard, Inc. will also strengthen America's industrial base while supporting more than 1,200 shipyard jobs in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The NSMV will feature numerous instructional spaces, a full training bridge, and have room for up to 600 cadets in a first-rate maritime academic environment at sea. State maritime academies graduate approximately 70 percent of all new officers each year—the merchant mariners who help keep cargoes and our economy moving. Many also support U.S. national security by crewing military sealift vessels.

The NSMV is also a highly functional national asset that includes modern medical facilities, a helicopter pad, the ability to accommodate up to 1,000 people in times of humanitarian need, and roll-on/roll-off and container storage capacity for use during disaster relief missions.



Taking the Next Step in Safe Drone Operations FAA Safety Briefing

by Mike O'Shea, FAA UAS Integration Office Public Safety Liaison

So you got a drone over the holidays, or perhaps you 'gifted' one to yourself. Now what? You clicked on the [FAA's DroneZone](#) to register your new aircraft. (Note: registration is not required for drones that weigh .55 lbs or less and are flown under [Section 44809 — Recreational Flyers](#). With the registration in hand, you ordered registration numbers to dress up your drone per the FAA's guidelines.

Because you've done your research, you knew you had to take the [part 107](#) remote pilot knowledge test to receive your remote pilot certificate. Or, if you're a recreational flyer and you're following [the safety guidelines](#), you're already planning for the upcoming safety test. Next, you downloaded the [B4UFLy App](#) to make sure you are always aware of any airspace restrictions. With your drone batteries charged and software updated, it's time to take to the sky and fly!

Or is it? The steps listed above do help make you knowledgeable about airspace safety and compliant with FAA rules, but they don't make you proficient with your specific drone. The FAA does not require a flight proficiency test to obtain a Remote Pilot certificate. So, is flight proficiency important? Many small drones on the consumer market can be flown right out of the box. But you still need to make the correct inputs and, for successful flight operations (and to avoid damaging your shiny new drone), you need to be knowledgeable about their specific flight modes.

So what do you have to do to become proficient? When I get a new drone, the first thing I do is read everything about it to make sure that I understand the controls and the operational limitations. I familiarize myself with the remote controller before I even turn the drone on. Next, I make my initial flights in good weather and light winds, and I always check the B4UFLy app for airspace restrictions. I launch the drone to about 15 feet high and practice some simple maneuvers. I move the drone left and right, spin it in place to the left and right, fly forward, fly backward, and fly side to side. I fly the drone as if I were piloting from inside the aircraft, with the front of the drone always pointed away from me, so as not to confuse its directional orientation. The only time I fly with the drone facing me is when I take "dronie" shots of me or my boat.

Before I perform any complex drone operation, I conduct drone flights in different environmental conditions and locations. These flights increase my knowledge and skillset as I become more familiar with my specific drone and its/my capabilities. As I become more proficient, I carefully expand my flights to more complex scenarios, such as flying at night.

Flying a drone for fun or for a business requires compliance with FAA regulations/guidance and proficiency to fly safely in the National Airspace System. Each drone is unique, and the FAA expects you to be proficient in its operation based on the complexity of the operation. If you only plan to fly 15 feet above your backyard in perfect weather conditions, you most likely can accomplish these flights safely with a lower level of proficiency. But if you want to leave the backyard, start practicing!





Update to Administrator’s Fact Book Released

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) posted an update to the [Administrator’s Fact Book](#) on the [FAA News page](#).

The Fact Book provides statistics, data and other information about aviation safety and the FAA’s management of the nation’s airspace system. Content covers the agency’s air traffic, commercial space transportation, aircraft, airspace modernization and unmanned aircraft systems mission, and includes such data as:

- Number of U.S. airports (19,787)
- Active pilots (650,719)
- Number of drones registered (1,726,726)
- Number of licensed commercial space operations (Includes 32 launches and reentries in Calendar Year 2020)
- Data about the FAA’s workforce, budget, industry forecasts and recently published rulemaking documents.

In addition to the updated Fact Book, the [FAA News page](#) provides additional resources to help media research and develop stories.

Updates from the USDOT Office of Inspector General



Audit Initiated of FAA's UAS Integration Pilot Program

Recognizing that Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) represent the fastest-growing segment of the aviation industry and in response to an October 2017 Presidential Memorandum, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) initiated a 3-year UAS Integration Pilot Program (IPP). Through the IPP, FAA partnered with the private sector (e.g., UAS operators) and State, local, and tribal government entities to accelerate the safe integration of UAS and help develop new rules to enable more complex UAS operations. When FAA ended the IPP in October 2020, it launched a related follow-up program called BEYOND.

Citing the importance of the IPP’s efforts, the Ranking Members of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and its Subcommittee on Aviation requested that we assess FAA’s IPP, including next steps. Accordingly, our audit objectives will be to assess FAA’s (1) results of the IPP and (2) plans for using those results, including how the Agency will incorporate them into its new program BEYOND.

<https://www.oig.dot.gov/sites/default/files/FAA%20UAS%20Integration%20Pilot%20Program%20Audit%20Announcement%5E02-03-21.pdf>



Virginia Man Pleaded Guilty to Aiming a Laser Pointer at Police Aircraft

On January 12, 2021, in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Jonathan Wolverton pleaded guilty to aiming a laser pointer at a police aircraft. The investigation revealed that on June 25, 2020, Wolverton attended a demonstration in Richmond, Virginia, concealed himself in the crowd, and used a laser pointer to illuminate law enforcement aircraft flying overhead. Wolverton struck the aircraft with the laser multiple times, causing the pilots to experience temporary blindness.

DOT-OIG is conducting this investigation with assistance from the FBI, the Richmond Police Department, and the Henrico County Police Division.

[Read the full article](#)



Airplane Manufacturer Charged with Conspiracy to Defraud FAA and Agrees To Pay Over \$2.5 Billion

On January 7, 2021, the U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division's Fraud Section charged The Boeing Company with conspiracy to defraud the United States. On the same date, Boeing entered into a deferred prosecution agreement (DPA) and agreed to pay over \$2.5 billion.

The DPA requires Boeing to pay over \$2.5 billion, including a \$243.6 million criminal penalty and compensation payments totaling \$1.77 billion to Boeing's 737 MAX airline customers. The agreement also mandates that Boeing establish a \$500 million crash-victim beneficiaries fund to compensate the heirs, relatives, and legal beneficiaries of the 346 passengers who died in the Boeing 737 MAX crashes of Lion Air Flight 610 and Ethiopian Airlines Flight 302.

According to the information, Boeing willfully conspired and agreed with others to defraud the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Aircraft Evaluation Group by lying about the Boeing 737 MAX airplane's Maneuvering Characteristics Augmentation System, including for purposes of the 737 MAX Flight Standardization Board Report and the 737 MAX differences-training determination.

DOT-OIG is conducting this investigation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

[Read the full article](#)

Updates from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive



Commerce in Explosives: 2020 Annual List of Explosive Materials

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 841(d) and 27 CFR 555.23, ATF must publish and revise at least annually in the Federal Register a list of explosives determined to be within the coverage of 18 U.S.C. 841 et seq. The list covers not only explosives, but also blasting agents and detonators, all of which are defined as explosive materials in 18 U.S.C. 841(c).

The 2020 list is the same as the 2019 list published by ATF.

[See the full listing](#)

Updates from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration



U.S. Department of Transportation

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials
Safety Administration

U.S. Department of Transportation Announces Availability of More Than \$17 Million for Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Safety Efforts

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) announced in January that it will accept applications for up to \$17 million in grants for safety awareness, training, research, and other activities that will help communities avert or respond to hazardous materials-related transportation incidents.

Each year, PHMSA offers grants to state, tribal, non-profit, and community-based organizations through its safety programs for the nation's pipeline network and hazardous materials transportation system. Grant recipients use the funds to train first responders, educate the public on local safety initiatives, develop and commercialize new technologies, or participate in regulatory oversight activities.

Of the \$17 million in total funding opportunities, PHMSA is offering up to:

- \$1.5 million through its Technical Assistance Grant program for projects that will foster open communication and address pipeline safety and environmental issues;
- \$1.25 million through its Community Safety Grant program for projects that can supply the best training and outreach activities to help local communities prepare for hazardous materials accidents and incidents involving the transportation of Class 3 flammable liquids;
- \$2.93 million in Pipeline Safety One-Call and State Damage Prevention grants aimed at reducing damage to underground pipelines;
- \$2 million in Pipeline Safety Competitive Academic Agreement Program awards for research and technologies that could improve pipeline transportation safety;
- \$1 million in Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Tribal grants to increase their effectiveness in safely and efficiently handling hazardous materials transportation accidents and incidents; and \$8.1 million in grants for Hazardous Materials Instructor Training, Supplemental Public-Sector Training, Assistance for Local Emergency
- Responder Training and Community Safety for training and outreach programs that help emergency responders and local communities prepare for and respond to transportation emergencies involving hazardous materials.

"These grants will support localized activities and extend the reach of PHMSA and our partners within our communities," said PHMSA Administrator Skip Elliott. "They allow us to have a strong local presence that is vital to effectively monitor pipelines and help protect the public from hazardous materials incidents nationwide."

The number of grant recipients receiving awards will depend on the grant program, as well as the quality and number of applications received, the dollar amounts requested, and funding availability. Grant recipients are required to provide a report to PHMSA within one year of chronicling completion of the work, as outlined in their grant agreement.

To obtain full eligibility requirements and application instructions, please read each official notice of funding opportunity on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov). Applicants can also contact the appropriate agency representative identified in the respective notice of funding opportunity.

Details about prior grant awards and related projects can be found on PHMSA's [grant webpage](#).



Risks to Emergency Responders from High-Voltage, Lithium-Ion Battery Fires in Electric/Hybrid Vehicles

The [National Transportation Safety Board](#) issued four safety recommendations in January based on findings contained in [Safety Report 20/01](#), an 80-page report documenting the agency's investigation of four electric vehicle fires involving high-voltage, lithium-ion battery fires.

Three of the lithium-ion batteries that ignited were damaged in high-speed, high-severity crashes, and the fourth lithium-ion battery fire occurred during normal vehicle operations. All three of the crash-damaged batteries reignited after firefighters extinguished the vehicle fires. The battery in the fourth investigation did not reignite.

[Safety Report 20/01](#) identified two main safety issues through its investigation:

- The inadequacy of vehicle manufacturers' emergency response guides.
- The gaps in safety standards and research related to high-voltage lithium-ion batteries involved in high-speed, high-severity crashes.

Actions sought by the NTSB in the four safety recommendations issued include:

- Factoring the availability of a manufacturer's emergency response guide, and its adherence to International Organization for Standardization standard 17840 and SAE International recommended practice J2990, when determining a U.S. New Car Assessment Program score.
- Continued research on ways to mitigate or deenergize stranded energy in high-voltage lithium-ion batteries.
- Continued research on ways to reduce the hazards associated with thermal runaway resulting from high-speed, high-severity crashes.
- Manufacturer emergency response guides modeled on ISO standard 17840 and SAE International recommended practice J2990.
- Incorporation of vehicle-specific information in emergency response guides for:
Fighting high-voltage lithium-ion battery fires.
 - Mitigating thermal runaway and the risk of high-voltage lithium-ion battery reignition.
 - Mitigating risks associated with stranded energy in high-voltage lithium-ion batteries during emergency response and before a damaged electric vehicle is removed from the scene.
 - Safely storing an electric vehicle with a damaged high-voltage lithium-ion battery.
- Providing information and available guidance to first responders and other crash scene workers about fire risks associated with high-voltage lithium-ion battery fires in electric vehicles.

Fires in electric vehicles powered by high-voltage lithium-ion batteries pose the risk of electric shock to emergency responders from exposure to the high-voltage components of a damaged lithium-ion battery. A further risk is that damaged cells in the battery can experience thermal runaway – uncontrolled increases in temperature and pressure – which can lead to battery reignition. The risks of electric shock and battery reignition/fire arise from the “stranded” energy that remains in a damaged battery.

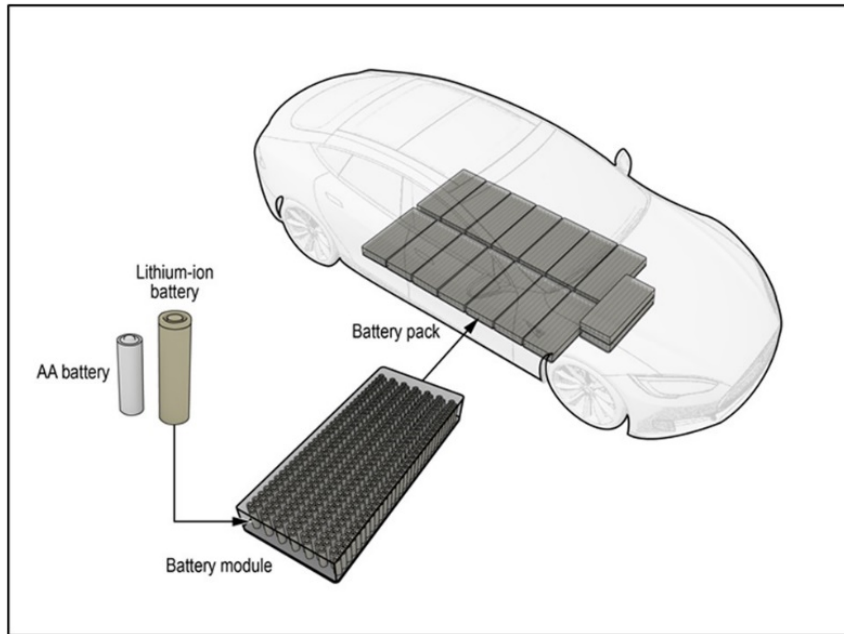
The National Transportation Safety Board has an interest in the safety of emerging technology, including alternative vehicle fuel sources such as lithium-ion batteries. Safety issues with the high-voltage, lithium-ion batteries used in electric vehicles first gained widespread attention when a Chevrolet Volt caught fire three weeks after a crash test in May 2011.

The NTSB's first investigation of electric vehicle battery fires on US roadways was in 2017, when a high-voltage lithium-ion battery caught fire after an electric vehicle left the road and crashed into a residential garage at high speed.

Between 2017 and 2018, the NTSB investigated two other electric vehicle high-speed, high-severity crashes that resulted in post-crash fires and one non-crash fire. During its investigations, the NTSB considered the safety risks to first and second responders posed by the vehicles' high-voltage, lithium-ion batteries. Those risks are addressed in the [NTSB's Safety Report 20/01, "Safety Risks to Emergency Responders from Lithium-Ion Battery Fires in Electric Vehicles."](#)

To highlight the lessons learned in Safety Report 20/01 the NTSB produced a short video that is available on the NTSB's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J6eS6JzBn0k>.

[Safety Report 20/01](#) is available online at <https://go.usa.gov/xAEyP>.



An illustration of a high-voltage, lithium-ion battery in an electric vehicle, showing the location of the vehicle's battery pack, a detail of the battery module, and a size comparison between the lithium-ion batteries in the module and a typical AA battery. NTSB Graphic by Christy Spangler.



2021 – 2022 Most Wanted List of Transportation Safety Improvements Subject of NTSB Meeting

The National Transportation Safety Board announced on Monday, February 1st, that they intend to hold a public board meeting on March 9, 2021, 9:30 a.m. (EST) to finalize its 2021 – 2022 Most Wanted List of Transportation Safety Improvements.

The NTSB's Most Wanted List of Transportation Safety Improvements is a communication strategy through which the agency identifies its top safety improvements that, when made, will prevent accidents, reduce the number and severity of injuries, and save lives.

WHAT: A webcast of a virtual board meeting to determine the 2021 – 2022 Most Wanted List of Transportation Safety Improvements.

WHEN: Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 9:30 a.m. (EST).

HOW: The board meeting will be webcast only; there will not be a public gathering of NTSB staff or board members. A link to the webcast will be available shortly before the start of the meeting at <http://ntsb.windrosemedia.com/>.





TSA firearms catch rate doubles in 2020 - highest in the agency's 19-year history

Transportation Security Administration (TSA) officers detected twice as many firearms per million passengers screened at airport security checkpoints nationwide in 2020 compared to 2019, and at a significantly higher rate than any other year since the agency's inception. Throughout 2020, TSA caught approximately ten firearms per million passengers screened compared to about five firearms per million passengers screened in 2019.

TSA officers discovered 3,257 firearms on passengers or in their carry-on bags at checkpoints, although the total passengers screened in 2020 fell by 500 million versus 2019 due to the pandemic. Of those firearms caught in 2020, about 83 percent were loaded. In 2019, TSA officers stopped a record 4,432 firearms, of which 87 percent were loaded.

Passengers with firearms at checkpoints were stopped at 234 airports nationwide. The top ten airports where TSA officers detected guns at checkpoints in 2020 were:

RANK	AIRPORT (CODE)	TOTAL
1	Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL)	220
2	Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW)	176
3	Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH)	126
4	Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX)	124
5	Denver International Airport (DEN)	104
6	Nashville International Airport (BNA)	94
7	Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL)	87
8	Orlando International Airport (MCO)	79
9	Las Vegas McCarran International Airport (LAS)	72
10	Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC)	71

Airline passengers can fly with firearms in checked baggage if the firearms are properly packed and declared at check-in. However, firearm possession laws vary by state and locality. TSA advises travelers to familiarize themselves with state and local firearm laws for each point of travel before departure to ensure they transport guns in accordance with applicable laws. Airlines may have additional requirements for traveling with firearms and ammunition, so travelers should also contact the airline regarding firearm and ammunition carriage policies prior to arriving at the airport.

Data collected represents the number of firearms caught on passengers and in their carry-on bags at the nation's TSA checkpoints. Excluded from the data are improperly packed guns at checked baggage stations, toys, replicas and BB guns. Visit the TSA website for details on [how to properly travel with a firearm](#).



2021 calendar featuring TSA's explosives detection canines now available for download

Each year, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) issues an annual calendar to honor its explosives detection canines from across the country. For the first time, TSA is making the 2021 [TSA Canine Calendar](#) available to the public.

TSA trains each of its explosives detection canines at the TSA Canine Training Center, located at Joint Base San Antonio - Lackland in San Antonio, Texas. Considered the "Center for Excellence" for explosives detection canine training, the [TSA National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program](#) is the Department of Homeland Security's largest explosives detection canine program.

About 300 canines complete the training annually. Each canine recruit spends 16 weeks in training where they meet their handlers, socialize to adapt to busy airport environments and learn their craft of detecting a variety of explosive odors before reporting to their duty stations.

Each canine and their handler serves as a reliable resource for detecting explosives as well as providing a visible deterrent to terrorism directed towards various types of transportation nodes. Once on duty, these canines work to safeguard passengers and cargo across the nation's transportation systems.

This year's 2021 TSA Canine Calendar features fun facts and great photos of about 13 dedicated canines selected from dozens of entries submitted by canine teams from across the agency to help TSA celebrate [National Dog Day](#) in August. This year's annual calendar canine selections came from the following airports:

- Chicago Midway International Airport (MDW)
- Dallas / Fort Worth International Airport (DFW)
- Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (HNL)
- Denver International Airport (DEN)
- Dulles International Airport (IAD)
- Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)
- McCarran International Airport (LAS)
- Miami International Airport (MIA)
- Oakland International Airport (OAK)
- Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX)
- Portland International Airport (PDX)
- Sacramento International Airport (SMF)
- San Francisco International Airport (SFO)

TSA has more than 1,000 canine handler teams deployed in support of security and screening operations nationwide. The explosives detection canine teams inspect passengers and all areas in and around terminals. They are so effective at their jobs that other public and private sector law enforcement agencies often request their support for similar security missions.

Aside from making this year's calendar available for download to the public as a PDF file, TSA will celebrate those selected for this year's canine calendar across its social media platforms, including [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#).

Visit our [website](#) for more information about TSA's Explosives Detection Canine Program.

WORK ZONE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Highway
Administration**

Webinar: WZITS Implementation Tool – Version 2.0 Release

The Federal Highway Administration's Work Zone Management Team will be conducting a free webinar to present the new **Work Zone Intelligent Transportation System (WZITS) Implementation Tool – Version 2.0**.

The WZITS Tool Version 1.0 was released in 2018 and provided a software implementation of the 2014 Work Zone ITS Implementation Guide. Many of you participated in previous webinars, in-person training sessions, and testing of that original tool. Based on your feedback, the FHWA team has proceeded with updating the tool with several important enhancements, including:

- New volume-to-capacity wizard to help with congestion screening
- Ability to customize scoring matrices for agency-specific needs
- Streamlined presentation of WZITS Guide Steps 3 through 6
- Updated PDF reports
- Enhanced user-friendliness and pop up messages
- Updated user interface

This free webinar will provide an overview and demonstration of the new tool, which will be available for download following this meeting.

Webinar date: Wednesday, February 24, 2021

Webinar time: 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. ET

Webinar registration link: [Click here to register.](#)

For questions about the FHWA WZITS Tool, contact [Todd Peterson](#), FHWA Project Manager.

For questions about the webinar, contact [Alan Pate](#), Battelle Project Manager (614) 424-7611.



What's Happening in the World of Automated Vehicles, Artificial Intelligence, and Electric Vehicles



U.S. Department of Transportation Announces Expansion of AV TEST Initiative

The U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration today announced the expansion of the Automated Vehicle Transparency and Engagement for Safe Testing (AV TEST) Initiative from a pilot to a full program. NHTSA's online tracking tool, which provides data on the on-road testing and safety performance of automated driving systems in cities across the country, is now open to all stakeholders.

Previously, nine states and nine companies fully participated in the AV TEST pilot initiative. Under the expansion, 52 companies, governments, and associations are now participating. For a full list of participants, please [click here](#).

NVIDIA Corporation in Holmdel, NJ is one of the participating companies. They have been testing a Ford Fusion Hybrid on streets, highways, and interstates as part of the initiative,

[Click here for more information.](#)



USDOT Releases Automated Vehicles Comprehensive Plan

On January 11th the US Department of Transportation released a 38-page report title [Automated Vehicles Comprehensive Plan](#) (AVCP).

This comprehensive plan lays out U.S. DOT's multimodal strategy to promote collaboration and transparency, modernize the regulatory environment, and prepare the transportation system for the safe integration of automated vehicles. It illustrates how the Department's work extends beyond government to meet the challenges of a modern transportation system by providing real-world examples of how the Department's operating administrations collaborate to address the needs of emerging technology applications.

Building upon the principles stated in Ensuring American Leadership in Automated Vehicle Technologies: Automated Vehicles 4.0, the plan defines three goals to achieve this vision for Automated Driving Systems (ADS):

1. Promote Collaboration and Transparency – U.S. DOT will promote access to clear and reliable information to its partners and stakeholders, including the public, regarding the capabilities and limitations of ADS.
2. Modernize the Regulatory Environment – U.S. DOT will modernize regulations to remove unintended and unnecessary barriers to innovative vehicle designs, features, and operational models, and will develop safety-focused frameworks and tools to assess the safe performance of ADS technologies.
3. Prepare the Transportation System – U.S. DOT will conduct, in partnership with stakeholders, the foundational research and demonstration activities needed to safely evaluate and integrate ADS, while working to improve the safety, efficiency, and accessibility of the transportation system.

[Click here to download a copy of the plan](#)

Partners for Automated Vehicle Education Webinar: AVs on Rural Roadways

Date: February 10, 2021

Times: 2:00 - 2:30 pm ET

Are there opportunities for automated vehicles (AVs) to improve transportation outside of cities?

Where do you picture that AV operating?

What about rural roads?

The PAVE virtual discussion focuses on this often-overlooked context for AVs, examining the mobility challenges facing rural populations and what AVs might be able to bring to the table.

[Register for the webinar >>](#)



What's New in Advanced Driver Assistance

New vehicles are incorporating various levels of automated drive assistance features such as adaptive cruise control, lane departure warning, automated collision avoidance, etc..., but the driver will continue to be responsible for the key driving responsibilities for the immediate future. It's important that we understand these systems to help educate our partners. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety has a section of their website dedicated to this very topic.

[Click here to go to the IIHS website on ADA](#)

Miscellaneous Traffic Safety Points of Interest & What's in the news



**BREAKING
NEWS**

Professor: Cops can't tell if you've got a marijuana buzz | Opinion

nj.com – Star-Ledger

New Jersey police rely on “drug recognition expert” (DRE) police officers to identify marijuana or drug-impaired drivers and New Jersey courts have allowed DUI defendants to be convicted on the testimony of DRE police officers.

In this Star-Ledger op-ed piece, William J. McNichol, an adjunct professor at Rutgers Law School, discusses the admissibility of DRE police officers' expert opinions as unreliable and pseudo-scientific testimony.

[Click here to read the full article on nj.com](#)

Nominate a Bus Guardian Hero for a chance to win a \$250 Gift Card

Synovia will donate \$1,000 to the non-profit of choice in the winning driver's district.

Synovia, a nationwide company providing fleet management assistance, knows that school bus drivers play an essential role in countless students' school day. Some drivers go above and beyond to ensure the welfare of their student riders.

Synovia is looking to honor the finest school bus drivers in North America and honoring them as official Bus Guardian Heroes. This is a new program in 2021 inspired by the tremendous sacrifices school bus drivers exhibited during the challenges of 2020.

Bus Drivers have to be nominated by staff, teachers, principals, or even parents. In short, we want the people around these drivers to nominate those who deliver exemplary service.

Synovia will name four Bus Guardian Heroes a year, one for each quarter, and will accept nominations on a rotating basis throughout the year.

Please go to the link listed below for complete details and to nominate a bus driver to be a Bus Guardian.

<https://busguardian.com/hero/>

Delaware Law Enforcement Address Illegal Street Racing

The Delaware State Police are teaming up with Newark Police via a state government grant to conduct operations addressing the growing issues of aggressive driving, speeding, and dangerous moving violations.

[Read more >>](#)

New Jersey Girl Scout's Project Helps Pedestrians Safely Cross Streets

Brooke Hussey, a ninth-grade student at the Union County Academy for Performing Arts, put together a project providing neon-colored flags that are easily visible to passing drivers for pedestrians to carry while crossing streets.

[Read more >>](#)

How Road Signs Got Their Shapes

To bring some uniformity when road signs were popping up in various states, a group of safety advocates from Wisconsin, Indiana, and Minnesota were tasked with assessing roads and signs across the country.

[Read more >>](#)

National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO) Looking for Innovative Teaching About Safe Driving Behavior

The National Road Safety Foundation (NRSF) and NASRO have opened a search for innovative methods that help teach teens about safe driving.

[Read more >>](#)

Traffic Deaths Surge During Pandemic, Despite Fewer Drivers

The Governors Highway Safety Association is urging Americans to protect themselves with a traffic safety “vaccine” in response to third-quarter preliminary [crash reports](#) released by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that show a 13.1% increase in fatalities over the same period in 2019.

[Read more >>](#)

Michigan Police Don't Accept the Term 'Accident' to Describe Crashes

Police say they're done using the word “accident” to describe traffic crashes, and they hope more drivers will take responsibility for their actions behind the wheel.

[Read more >>](#)

Helmet Safety Vital for Cyclists and Boarders

In 2017, according to the National Safety Council, more than 98,000 people were treated in hospital emergency rooms after being injured while skateboarding. Children wearing helmets are less likely to suffer head and neck injuries and less likely to be hospitalized.

[Read more >>](#)



New Crash Tests Show Modest Speed Increases Can Have Deadly Consequence



A new study from AAA and the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) shows the trend of rising speed limits are canceling out safety advances with deadly consequences, as even small increases in speed can cause major, traumatic injuries and turn survivable crashes into lethal ones.

Drivers want to save time, and local transportation agencies want to improve traffic flow, but at what cost? With posted speed limits increasing on roadways around the country, a vehicle's ability to protect drivers in crashes is in doubt.

Small speed increases can have huge effects on crash outcomes, as shown in new crash tests by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS), and Humanetics. The safety organizations conducted crashes at three different impact speeds (40, 50, and 56 mph). They found the slightly higher speeds were enough to increase the driver's risk of severe injury or death.

[Click here to read the results of the study](#)

Verra Mobility Buys Rival Red Light Camera Provider

TheNewspaper.com

The two largest operators of red light cameras and speed cameras are merging. Verra Mobility (formerly American Traffic Solutions or ATS) told investors that it would buy the Australian-based Redflex Traffic Systems for \$112.7 million.

Despite its significant share of the photo enforcement market, Redflex stock was depressed by its **inability to turn a profit** since it was caught in a massive bribery scandal in 2014. Top Redflex executives **handed envelopes filled with cash**, made large campaign donations, and gave other "lavish gifts" to politicians in Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Massachusetts, **New Jersey**, New Mexico, Tennessee, Virginia, and Washington in return for their endorsement of automated ticketing. (**view a complete list**).

[Click here to read the full TheNewspaper.com article](#)

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Bills Recently Signed into Law by the Governor – Law Enforcement Related

Governor Murphy Signs the “Dominick Marino PFRS Enhanced Benefits for Surviving Spouses Act”

On January 7th, Governor Phil Murphy [signed S487](#), also known as the “Dominick Marino PFRS Enhanced Benefits for Surviving Spouses Act.” The legislation is named after Dominick Marino, a former professional firefighter and past President of the Professional Firefighters Association of New Jersey (PFANJ), who passed away earlier last year. The new law will provide financial security for a member’s surviving spouse by ensuring that the accidental death benefit provided by the Police and Firemen’s Retirement System cannot be below \$50,000 annually.

“A fierce advocate who put his heart and soul into everything he did for his PFANJ brothers and sisters, Dominick was a dear friend to me and to so many of us” said Governor Murphy. “It is my great honor to sign this bill to cement Dominick’s legacy and help ensure that our first responders’ loved ones who are left behind are taken care of.”

[A-2768](#) – 1/7/2021 Approved P.L.2020, c.154 - Establishes housing of equine-related farm employees in facilities with horses under certain conditions as "Right to Farm" permissible activity; requires State Agriculture Development Committee adoption of agricultural management practice that permits such housing.

[S-559/A-3277](#) – 1/7/2021 Approved P.L.2020, c.154 - Requires parent or guardian to notify child care centers if a child will be absent; requires child care centers to notify parent or guardian in the event of unexcused child absence

[S-2384/A-4129](#) – 2/4/2021 Requires health care facilities to report certain coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) data related to health care workers and certain first responders.

[S-2607/A-2785](#) – 2/4/2021 Requires land use plan element of the municipal master plan to include climate change-related hazard vulnerability assessment.

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[S-3220/A-5122](#) – 2/4/2021 Permits exemption from civil service law enforcement examination requirement for entry level-law enforcement officers.

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[S-3230/A-5115](#) – 2/4/2021 Appropriates \$30.387 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects

[S-3256/A-5084](#) – 2/4/2021 Reclassifies possession of psilocybin as disorderly persons offense.

[A-5113/S-3235](#) – 2/4/2021 Appropriates \$11,777,499 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to NJ Historic Trust for grants for certain historic preservation projects and associated administrative expenses.

[A-5114/S-3229](#) – 2/4/2021 Appropriates \$37.16 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues for recreation and conservation purposes to DEP for State capital and park development projects.

Bills Vetoed by the Governor

[AJR172 Aca \(1R\)](#) Establishes a task force to study racial bias within the criminal justice system.

[S-3283/A-5151](#) – 2/4/2021 ABSOLUTE – Concerns emergency unemployment benefits and shared work benefits.

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Legislative Bills Introduced or with Recent Action Related to Police and Traffic

S1256 - Permits inclusion of volunteer firefighters and other emergency responders within municipal eligible employee group for purposes of the small employer health benefits plan statutes.

2/3/2020 Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee

1/14/2021 Reported from Senate Committee, 2nd Reading

1/14/2021 Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

S3114 - Allows members of PERS Prosecutors Part to establish purchased PERS credit in the Part at additional cost.

1/14/2021 Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

S3366 - Establishes the right to record law enforcement activity under certain circumstances.

S1322 - Prohibits law enforcement agencies from considering the number of arrests made and citations issued when evaluating police officers' professional performance.

1/11/2021 Passed by the Senate

1/12/2021 Received in the Assembly, Referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee



Training Events



*****Note – The list of training classes is in five categories:**

- **Police Traffic RADAR**
- **Online / On-Demand training videos/roll call videos**
- **Webinar Training Events**
- **Online Training Conferences**
- **Person to Person - Live Training Events**

Police Traffic RADAR

Police Traffic RADAR Instructor Classes (in-person)

This three (3) day New Jersey Police Training Commission certified course is designed for police officers wishing to become a Police Traffic RADAR Instructor. The course will include basic principles of radar speed measurement, speed offenses and enforcement, operation of specific radar devices, managing instruction, and record keeping.

Prerequisite:

Radar Operator Certification

Two (2) years of Radar Operator experience

Methods of Instruction

Location: **Camden County Police Academy**

Dates: March 22 to March 24, 2021

Times: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Cost: In County No Fee Out of County \$75

Course#: CE.POL-040-01-(62529)

[Camden County Police Academy In-service Registration](#)

Location: **Passaic County Police Academy**

Dates: April 28 to April 30, 2021

Times: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Cost: In County No Fee Out of County \$175

It is requested that officers attending this course supply equipment and vehicle from their department.

[Passaic County Police Academy in-service training application](#)

Location: **Morris County Police Academy**

Dates: June 9 to June 10, 2021

Times: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Cost: \$100

Class size is limited to 20

[Morris County Police Academy Standard Registration Form](#) – for departments

[Morris County Police Academy Police Course Standard Registration Form](#) – for Individuals

Police Traffic RADAR Operator (in-person)

This is an eight (8) hour course which provides four (4) hours of classroom instruction on the Division of Criminal Justice Radar manual and four (4) hours of supervised hands-on practical training in Radar operation. This course along with the completion of eighty (80) hours of hands-on non-enforcement operation of the Radar equipment will qualify the officer to make application for certification.

Location: Passaic County Police Academy

Date: February 26, 2021

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cost: Passaic County & Municipal Agencies – No Cost Other Law Enforcement Agencies - \$75.00

Registration – P.C.P.A. In-service Training Application must be submitted.



Police Traffic RADAR Instructor Refresher Training (in-person)

Offered by the NJ Division of Criminal Justice

Dates: See Below

Locations: See Below

Times: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Cost: No Fee

This refresher course is required for RADAR instructors once every three years. A RADAR Instructor/Operator certificate is issued for three years. In the third year, prior to expiration, each instructor must attend the refresher course. The course is conducted from 9 am to 1 pm. Instructors no longer receive notification that they are due for recertification. It is the instructor's responsibility to renew your certification prior to expiration.

Please note that there is a **NEW REGISTRATION PROCESS** Click or copy and paste the link after each date to register for that particular class.

Dates	Locations	Registration Link
February 19, 2021	Camden County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0219
February 23, 2021	Monmouth County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0223
February 24, 2021	Monmouth County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0224
March 16, 2021	Essex County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0316
March 19, 2021	Atlantic County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0319
April 9, 2021	Ocean County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0409
April 22, 2021	Passaic County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0422
May 17, 2021	John H. Stamler Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0517
September 10, 2021	Morris County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar0910
October 8, 2021	Ocean County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar1008
November 8, 2021	Passaic County Police Academy	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Radar1108

Online / On-Demand Training Videos – Roll Call Videos



Today's Tip for February 2, 2021 Legally Parking Emergency Vehicles

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today's Tip is for my law enforcement friends. It seems you can't go a day without reading in the news or social media about someone in law enforcement doing something wrong. Cell phone cameras make it easy to take a picture or obtain a video of everything. We know that when we are in uniform and driving our patrol vehicles, people are watching us. We need to be role models. We should not act as if we are above the law and flaunt our authority or position. Stop and think. How do your actions reflect on you and your department?

[Click here to access this Tip of the day](#)



Today's Tip for January 26, 2021 Using PPE When Conducting Police Searches

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today's Tip is for law enforcement professionals and today I'm talking about [Personnel Protective Equipment \(PPE\)](#). Appropriate use of PPE will help you stay safe from the many dangerous substances floating around out there.

[Click here to access this Tip of the day](#)



Today's Tip for January 19, 2021 Understanding Active Shooter Warning Signs

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today's Tip is for law enforcement officers and it's about trying to understand the active shooter. Or the active killer. I'll use the term active shooter, but I'm talking about any type of active threat to multiple people regardless of the type of weapon used.

[Click here to access this Tip of the day](#)



Today's Tip for January 12, 2021 Effective Time Management Tips for Public Safety

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today's Tip is for anyone in public safety and it's about effective time management. We are all limited to the same 24 hours each day. The demands of public safety are often unpredictable. It's important to make the most of your time. I have some simple suggestions that should help you along.

[Click here to access this Tip of the day](#)



Today's Tip for January 5, 2021 The Importance of Law Enforcement Deconfliction

Gordon Graham here with Today's Tip from Lexipol.

Today, I'd like to talk to my friends in law enforcement about deconfliction. This is a process we use to see if the people or the places we are investigating are being investigated by officers. We must make sure we're not stepping on each other's toes. This is important for undercover work, surveillance, serving warrants, and other operations.

[Click here to access this Tip of the day](#)



Roll Call Training Videos

The J. Harris Academy of Police Training kindly offers free roll call training videos to New Jersey Law Enforcement officers. Below is a list of topic titles, along with the links to the online videos. www.JHARRISTRAINING.com 732-684-1644

Roll Call Training:

Use of Force Update Pointing of Firearm During a Call

You and other officers respond to a call to serve a warrant. During the execution, you point your firearm at occupants within the structure. Is this a "use of force"?

View the video to see what the courts say.

[Click Here to View This Informational Video](#)

Webinar Training Events



Webinar Series - Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety - (DDACTS) 2.0



Dates: See Below – First Class February 18th – Last Class September 15th
 Times: 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
 Cost: No Fee

IADLEST, in conjunction with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, is offering, at NO COST, an 8-part webinar training series to prepare agencies to use this nationally recognized police model.

These training segments are designed to teach agency participants how to effectively use data collection and analysis efforts to manage and deploy strategic resources to decrease crashes and crime throughout the country.

Attendees will learn about the model and its seven guiding principles from experienced DDACTS model subject matter experts and active law enforcement professionals in the field of crime analysis and community engagement.

Recordings of the completed webinar will be available by using the same Registration link.

Date 2021	Topic	Registration / Archive
February 18th	DDACTS 2.0 - Overview	Registration ID# 488-127-531
March 18th	Outcomes	Registration ID# 729-235-147
April 15th	Data Collection	Registration ID# 540-264-971
May 27th	Data Analysis	Registration ID# 637-852-819
June 17th	Partners/Stakeholders	Registration ID# 680-980-547
July 22nd	Strategic Operations	Registration ID# 193-585-475
August 19th	Information Sharing	Registration ID# 520-630-131
September 15th	Monitor, Evaluate, Adjust	Registration ID# 197-194-483

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

National Rural Transit Assistance Program Webinar: Cybersecurity 101

Date: February 11, 2021
Time: 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm MT/2:00 pm to 3:00 pm ET
Cost: Free

As described recently in Mass Transit Magazine*, many agencies are not taking cybersecurity and potential ransomware attacks seriously enough. To help address this issue, National RTAP will be hosting two training webinars on cybersecurity.

This first webinar will be an overview of cybercrime and ways to protect yourself and your organization. See below for the agenda. The second, to be held later this spring, will address transit specific cybersecurity and data security concerns.

For more information about this training, click [here](#).

Link: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3gMYmfdFSuK5pCGoJLJxxQ

Drive Smart Virginia Virtual Safety Series Webinar: Two Guys with Strong Opinions

Date: February 11, 2021
Time: 2:00 pm to 3:20 pm ET
Cost: Free

For the past 20+ years, Matt and Keith have worked as advertising creative directors on brands of all shapes and sizes. Global ones like Google, Sony, Apple, Coke, Disney, Visa, and PayPal. National ones like The Ad Council, Burt's Bees, Virgin America, and CarMax. And regional ones like Bojangles', Charlotte Tourism, Slo Down Wines, and DRIVE SMART Virginia. They are the team behind some of DRIVE SMART's long-running campaigns such as "Buckle Up Phone Down" and "See and Be Seen" and have worked with the organization for over 15 years. They've created campaigns for all kinds of target audiences, across all sorts of platforms (both traditional and non-traditional), and along the way they've nurtured talent, managed teams, won awards, and built strong bonds of trust with clients who, in their words, ADORE them.

During this webinar, Matt and Keith will discuss how to market your message when you're not the target, and how to modify those messages when you're working across multiple platforms. They will present examples of their work, share insights, and provide a great opportunity to learn more about reaching different audiences with your safe driving message.

For more information about this training, click [here](#).

Link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/340161821657542925>

Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Webinar: Lawyers as Leaders – Easier Said than Done

Date: Thursday, February 11, 2021
Time: 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm Eastern
Cost: Free

Presented by John Besselman, Senior Advisor for Training, Office of Chief Counsel, and Ken Anderson, Attorney-Advisor/Senior Instructor, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers, Glynco, GA.

In this webinar, we will examine the challenges confronting aspiring lawyers seeking to develop leadership skills. The first half of the webinar will cover core concepts of leadership; the second half will compare the “legal personality traits” to leadership expectations and models.

To participate in this webinar: <https://share.dhs.gov/lawyersasleaders/>

To Participate in a FLETC Informer Webinar

1. Click on the link to access the Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN).
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4. Enter your name and click the “Enter” button.

Drive Smart Virginia Virtual Safety Series Webinar: Advanced Driver Technology to Spot Distracted Driving

Date: February 17, 2021
Time: 2:00 pm to 3:20 pm ET
Cost: Free

During this webinar, Dr. Jeffrey Hickman, group leader for the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute, will share the insights he has gained from his extensive research into distracted driving. Plus, two fleets—American Central Transport and Dupré Logistics—will share examples of how they use technology to have a real-time impact on risk and improve fleet safety.

For more information about this training, click [here](#).

Link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3618938478135725839>

TRB Webinar: A Two-Way Ticket – Collaborative Planning Among Airports and Public Agencies

Date: February 18, 2021
Times: 2:00 to 3:30 pm
Cost: Free

How important is it for airports and public agencies to collaborate? TRB is hosting a webinar that will discuss these collaboration efforts. Public-use airports, metropolitan planning organizations, and local land-use/transportation planning agencies all have independent yet interrelated planning processes. Presenters will provide examples of collaborative partnering among airport and surface transportation planning organizations. They will share case studies of where such planning has occurred and lessons learned from these experiences. Presenters will also introduce a self-assessment tool that allows managers and staff to identify current challenges with collaborative planning and strategies to enhance it.

[Click here for more info and to register](#)

Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Webinar: Understanding the Administrative Search

Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021
Time: 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm Eastern
Cost: Free

Presented by John Besselman, Senior Advisor for Training, Office of Chief Counsel, and Ken Anderson, Attorney-Advisor/Senior Instructor, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers, Glynco, GA.

The unique government authority to conduct administrative searches/inspections and its limitations is, at times, misunderstood. This webinar will explain how, why, and when an agency has the ability to conduct an administrative search. All are welcome to attend; it is highly recommended for those agencies that possess an inspection authority.

To participate in this webinar: <https://share.dhs.gov/inspections/>

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Webinar: THE READY RESPONDER How Physical and Mental Wellbeing Affects Performance

Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021
Time: 1:00 pm Eastern
Cost: Free

First responders begin their careers in top mental and physical shape. But a career in law enforcement, fire, EMS, dispatch or corrections often takes a huge toll. Left unmanaged, these physical and mental stressors can cut short careers, relationships and even lives.

We can break the cycle. It starts with understanding the unique stressors first responders face and how being healthy physically and mentally is essential to being good at the job.

In this webinar, experts in first responder cardiac health, fatigue management, mental health and risk management will discuss how public safety personnel can enjoy long, productive careers.

You'll learn:

- The impact first responder mental and physical wellness has on high-risk job functions
- How to reduce the negative impacts of shift work
- New cardiac screenings that can detect heart disease before it manifests and what to ask of your primary healthcare provider to keep ahead of the curve
- The importance of a risk-management and organizational culture to health and wellness
- Critical mental health resources and tools that can help personnel stay strong and prepared

[Click here to register](#)



NJLTAP – Traffic Incident Management Training for Emergency Responders

Date: February 24, 2021
Times: 8:00 am - 12:00 noon
Cost: Free

Using a multi-discipline approach, first responders in New Jersey will learn how to operate more efficiently and act collectively. The training covers topics including TIM guidelines, fundamentals, and terminology; notifications and scene size up; scene safety and risk management; traffic management; special circumstances; clearance; and termination.

This course is open to all traffic-incident first responders, including personnel in law enforcement, firefighting, emergency medical services (EMS), public safety, public works, towing and recovery, and hazardous materials (HAZMAT).

[Click here for more information and to register](#)



Talking TIM Webinar Series: February 2021

Date: February 24, 2021
Times: 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm ET
Cost: Free

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[Click here to register for this webinar](#)



Returning to Work After COVID-19 Webinar

Date: February 26, 2021
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.
Cost: See Registration Form

Registration Information for [Feb 26 Returning to Work After Covid-19](#)

Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Webinar: Facial Recognition Technology and Legal Considerations

Date: Thursday, February 25, 2021
Time: 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm Eastern
Cost: Free

Presented by Arie Schaap, Attorney-Advisor/Senior Instructor, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers, Artesia, NM.

This webinar will explore facial recognition technology used by law enforcement to enhance surveillance capabilities and the associated constitutional legal issues it raises.

To participate in this webinar: <http://share.dhs.gov/informer>

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UAS Applications for Traffic Safety (Webinar)

Date: March 2, 2021
Times: 8:00 am - 12:00 noon
Cost: Free

This course describes how UAS will provide a benefit for traffic safety. Software applications, when combined with UAS can assist with roadway safety by collecting faster, more accurate data at crash scenes and reducing the amount of time for road closures and officer exposure to traffic.

Discussions will include commonly used UAS platforms, the FAA pilot certification process, how the UAS is certified and regulated, privacy concerns and proposed State regulations.

Highlights include how law enforcement may respond to UAS incidents, what lawful authority exists to engage a UAS operator, and how to determine if UAS operation is legal or in violation of regulations. Finally, UAS case studies will be explored with emphasis placed upon personal safety and awareness.

This course is offered free to Law Enforcement Professionals thanks to funding and support from the New Jersey Division of Traffic Safety. For more information, contact David Maruca, CAIT Project Manager, dem200@soe.rutgers.edu.

<https://cait.rutgers.edu/event/uas-applications-march2020/>

Work Zone Safety Awareness Workshop (Webinar)

Date: March 4, 2021
Times: 8:00 am - 12:00 noon
Cost: Free

The Work Zone Safety Awareness Program is offered to participants who require an overview of working safely in the roadway. As new or veteran employees enter or re-enter the construction and public works profession, they are frequently required to set up short-term work zones or are assigned to long-term projects. There are no allowances for errors when working next to traffic, so it is important for personnel to have a solid understanding of work zone safety compliance with the national MUTCD standards. Also, the roles of workers and enforcement personnel at work sites, differences between NJDOT and local projects, and legal responsibilities in work zones will be addressed during this program.

This class counts as a prerequisite for the Traffic Control Coordinator Program.

<https://cait.rutgers.edu/event/work-zone-safety-awareness-workshop-4/>



Budgeting for the Elected Official: Everything you Need to Know to Create, Balance, and Approve Your Municipalities' Budget

Date: Saturday, March 6, 2021
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Cost: See Registration Form

Registration Information for [Budgeting For Elected Officials](#)



Cannabis in the Workplace Webinar

Date: March 9, 2021
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.
Cost: See Registration Form

Registration Information for [March 9 Cannabis in the Workplace](#)

NJDHTS – NJTR-1 Crash Form Refresher (Webinar)

Date: March 10, 2021
Times: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Cost: Free

Your safety colleagues rely on accurate crash data to create successful, proactive road safety plans. However, many of the nearly 300,000 crash reports NJDOT receives each year contain errors or misinformation—these inaccuracies negatively impact the effectiveness of data-driven crash reduction efforts. As the official recorder of crash scene events, you can minimize these data deficiencies with the information learned from this training course.

This course covers common NJTR-1 errors for both passenger and commercial motor vehicle (CMV) crashes and offers methods to improve crash data quality. Crash analysis software functions and the role of data in crash analysis will be discussed. This course serves as refresher training for law enforcement officials already familiar with the NJTR-1 crash form.

<https://cait.rutgers.edu/event/njtr1-march-3/>



Budget, Ethics, and Procurement Updates

Date: March 12, 2021
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Cost: See Registration Form

Registration Information for [Budget, Ethics, and Procurement Updates Webinar](#)



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Times: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Cost: Free

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<https://cait.rutgers.edu/event/njtr1-march-2/>

Date: March 30 to 31, 2021 & October 20, 2022
Times: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Cost: Free

PLEASE NOTE: Registration closes March 5, 2021. A Letters of Support and the below listed Questionnaire must be emailed Rutgers by March 5, 2021 to be considered for acceptance into the Course. See the website link for full details as well as the flyer in the appendix of this Newsletter.

This is a three-day hands-on course that provides Project Managers and Grant Writers with the tools necessary to extract data related to crash prone areas, develop and submit a grant to the Division of Highway Traffic Safety, implement proven countermeasures and strategies to proactively address traffic safety issue(s), and measure the impact of their intervention(s).

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Agencies will receive grant writing training and develop a grant proposal and budget related to their data points utilizing the DHTS Sage System with support from experienced grantees and grantors. This will be followed by receiving approval from command staff and business/financial administrators to submit the grant to DHTS for consideration.

NHTSA's proven countermeasures will be discussed, and other traffic safety organizations will provide presentations to assist the attendees in selecting the proper strategies to implement. At the conclusion of the grant, an after-action presentation will be delivered by grantees outlining their program's challenges and successes on October 20, 2022.

[Click here for more information, prerequisites, and registration procedures](#)

Date: April 6, 2021
Times: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Cost: Free

Your safety colleagues rely on accurate crash data to create successful, proactive road safety plans. However, many of the nearly 300,000 crash reports NJDOT receives each year contain errors or misinformation—these inaccuracies negatively impact the effectiveness of data-driven crash reduction efforts. As the official recorder of crash scene events, you can minimize these data deficiencies with the information learned from this training course.

This course covers common NJTR-1 errors for both passenger and commercial motor vehicle (CMV) crashes and offers methods to improve crash data quality. Crash analysis software functions and the role of data in crash analysis will be discussed. This course serves as refresher training for law enforcement officials already familiar with the NJTR-1 crash form.

<https://cait.rutgers.edu/event/njtr1-april/>

The New Jersey Work Zone Safety Conference – Online

Date: April 21, 2021
Time: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm
Cost: Free



The New Jersey Work Zone Safety Conference promotes work zone safety awareness on local and state roadways for a multi-disciplinary audience of construction, engineering, public safety, maintenance, and operations personnel.

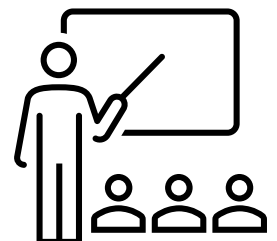
This year's online event will commence with a presentation focused on shadow vehicles and truck mounted attenuators in work zones. The keynote presentation will be delivered by Bradley Sant, a Professional Engineer with the American Road & Transportation Builders Association, who will be speaking about the dangers of internal work zones which account for approximately 50% of all fatalities. The conference will conclude with a panel discussion on the best practices and importance of preconstruction meetings followed by a presentation on the role of police in work zones. As part of the program, the New Jersey Work Zone Safety Excellence Awards will be presented to recognize inspiring efforts of individuals, companies and roadway agencies that have demonstrated effective temporary traffic control in planned work zones on New Jersey roadways.

[Click here to register](#)

Person to Person – Live Training Events

*****Please check with the training provider to ensure that the scheduled classes are still taking place.***

Nothing Scheduled



Quote of the month

"In this family, no one fights alone!"

—Unknown

All law enforcement officers make up one gigantic family, it is written in Kevlar, it is the bond that holds us as one. We may all come from different backgrounds but stand together as one family. From squad to squad, department to department, no matter what level, we are all coppers.

Next scheduled meeting is on March 3, 2021

Remember the five tenets of Below 100



Wear your seat belt

Watch your speed

Wear your vest

WIN: What's Important Now

Complacency kills

&

When in traffic:

Wear your high visibility safety vest !!

Stay Safe & Healthy



Don't forget to visit the association's website regularly, www.njptoa.com; the site is updated periodically. It is also the place to go for resources and updates about the association. If you have anything for the website, please contact one of the association's officers.

Newsletter Information

If any member would like to submit an article, information about events and training, or anything you want to spread the word about dealing with traffic safety, please email it to Rich Maxwell at rmaxwell@njptoa.org

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January 26, 2021 NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY #21-18

An opportunity currently exists in the unclassified service with the Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, for applicants who meet the requirements specified below:

TITLE: Government Representative 2
SALARY: \$75,000.00 to \$80,000.00
LOCATION: Division of Highway Traffic Safety
140 E. Front Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE: One (1)

DUTIES: Under the direction of a supervisory official in the Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, assists in the administration of planning and developing community outreach coordination and review of Highway Safety Project Grant Applications; assists in developing a comprehensive highway safety plan for the State; and provides assistance and advice to officials at the local level in an effort to advance the projects; does other related work as required.

REQUIREMENTS

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree.

EXPERIENCE: Two (2) years of experience in the planning and/or administration of highway safety or related programs.

NOTE: Applicants who do not possess the required education may substitute additional experience as indicated on a year-for-year basis with thirty (30) semester hour credits being equal to one (1) year of experience.

PREFERENCE: Preference will be given to applicants with experience in traffic safety, transportation or traffic enforcement.

LICENSE: Appointee will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position.

RESUME NOTE: Eligibility determinations will be based upon information presented in resume only. Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.

If qualified, please send a cover letter indicating interest in job vacancy announcement #21-18 and a current resume on or before the closing date of February 9, 2021 to:

Recruitment Coordinator
LPS.Humanresources@njoag.gov

-OR-

Recruitment Coordinator
Division of Administration
Human Resource Management
P.O. Box 081, Trenton, NJ 08625-0081

“New Jersey First Act,” N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L. 2011, Chapter 70), requires new public employees to reside in the State of New Jersey within one (1) year of employment.

The Department of Law and Public Safety is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to inclusive hiring and dedicated to diversity in our staff. We strongly encourage people from all groups and communities to apply.



New Jersey Police Traffic Officers' Association



Post Office Box 664 Voorhees, NJ 08043

856-220-1433

www.njptoa.org

January 6, 2021

Dear Members,

Along with January 1st ringing in the beginning of a new year, it also brings exciting news to our member agencies, both current and past.

Through Director Eric Heitmann's work, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety (NJDHTS) has approved a grant to the New Jersey Police Traffic Officers' Association, covering most, if not all, of our yearly operating costs.

NJDHTS Director Heitmann felt the dues' cost prevented some agencies from joining or continuing their Association membership. I worked with Director Heitmann on this grant to cover the cost of membership for all police agencies and traffic safety organizations in the state.

The NJPTOA is the **only** statewide traffic safety organization of its type in the United States. NJDHTS feels that the Association's uniqueness is too crucial to the motoring public and police officers' safety to be underutilized. New Jersey police agencies could have a significant impact on highway safety by working together within the Association.

Therefore, your yearly Association dues will be waived during the NJHTS grant period, which is expected to be long term. If the grant is ever terminated, the NJPTOA Executive Board will determine the yearly dues from that point forward.

To facilitate an accurate membership database, we are revamping the membership and email communication procedures for 2021. The existing membership roster and email address book are going to be purged. This will require all agencies and associate members, current and new, to complete the attached membership form and submit it to the Association as soon as possible. The agency is the member of the Association with a name serving as the primary contact person. Agencies can add additional names and email addresses, which will also have access to the Association's material, by listing the names and email addresses in the appropriate spaces on the second page of the form.

The email addresses are required to receive the monthly newsletters, meeting notices, updates, grant information, education opportunities, and other communications. The Association no longer mails these items via the USPS; all communications are done electronically. Please check with your information technology people to ensure your agency's internal systems do not block the Association's emails.

Re: 2021 NJPTOA Membership

January 6, 2021

Any questions can be directed to:

President: Sgt. Nicholas Schock,

Email: traffic@njptoa.org

Executive Director: Richard Maxwell

Email: rmaxwell@njptoa.org

Operations Secretary: Mark Wilson

Phone/Text: (856) 220-1433

Email: mwilson@njptoa.org

Thank you for your continued dedication towards our Association and traffic safety within the State of New Jersey.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Schock

Sgt. Nicholas Schock
President NJPTOA

New Jersey Police Traffic Officers' Association



2021 MEMBERSHIP FORM

(Please print or type information)

Active Membership

Associate Membership

Honorary Membership

(Select the appropriate membership)

Date: _____

Agency: _____ **County:** _____

Address _____

Contact Name & Title: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Contact's Email Address: _____

This is the primary email address for all Association communications; additional addresses can be added on page two.

The Association's regular monthly business meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month, beginning at 10:00 am unless otherwise noted in the newsletter or special notice. There are no meetings during July and August.

Email the completed form to:

Operations Secretary Mark Wilson
mwilson@njptoa.org

or

NJ Police Traffic Officers' Association
PO Box 664
Voorhees, NJ 08043

New Jersey Police Traffic Officers' Association

2021 Membership Form - Additional Agency Contact Names

Date: _____

Agency: _____

Name & Title: _____

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DDACTS 2.0 Webinar Series



Throughout 2021 IADLEST is hosting a series of NO-COST 1-hour webinars on using data to manage and deploy resources to decrease crashes, crime, and other social harms.

Series Schedule

DDACTS 2.0 Overview

February 18th @ 2pm EST

Outcomes

March 18th @ 2pm EDT

Data Collection

April 15th @ 2pm EDT

Data Analysis

May 27th @ 2pm EDT

Partners/Stakeholders

June 17th @ 2pm EDT

Strategic Operations

July 22nd @ 2pm EDT

Information Sharing

August 19th @ 2pm EDT

Monitor Evaluate Adjust

September 15th @ 2pm EDT

Join our subject matter experts for this no-cost webinar series as we cover what's new in Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS) 2.0. Together we'll explore why this engagement model effectively reduces crashes, crimes, and other social harms.

Webinar Series Hosts



Peggy Schaefer -- IADLEST Project Manager, NHTSA DDACTS. Peggy served as Director of the North Carolina Justice Academy, serving over 85,000 LEOs.

Daniel Howard -- IADLEST Project Manager, TxDOT DDACTS. Daniel is a retired law enforcement official with more than 35 years in public safety and is a DDACTS SME.



[Visit our webpage](#)
[to learn more & register](#)





RUTGERS

Center for Advanced Infrastructure
and Transportation



Traffic Incident Management Training for Emergency Responders

Dates:

February 24, 2021

May 07, 2021

Hosted by the New Jersey Local Technical Assistance Program (NJ LTAP) at Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation (CAIT), this half-day course covers New Jersey's Highway Incident Traffic Safety Guidelines for Emergency Responders. The course is supported and approved by the FHWA.

Time:

8am – 12pm

Three vehicle crashes involving injuries occur every minute in the United States putting nearly 39,000 incident responders in harm's way daily. Disruption and congestion from these incidents can increase the likelihood of secondary crashes causing delays and increasing driver frustration. The longer responders remain on the scene, the greater the risk they, and the traveling public, face. Correct traffic incident management (TIM) focuses on responding in a way that protects motorists and emergency personnel while minimizing negative effects on traffic. TIM practices include detecting, verifying, and responding to incidents; clearing the incident scene; and restoring traffic flow.

Using a multi-discipline approach, first responders in New Jersey will learn how to operate more efficiently and act collectively. The training covers topics including TIM guidelines; fundamentals and terminology; notifications and scene size up; scene safety and risk management; traffic management; special circumstances; clearance; and termination.

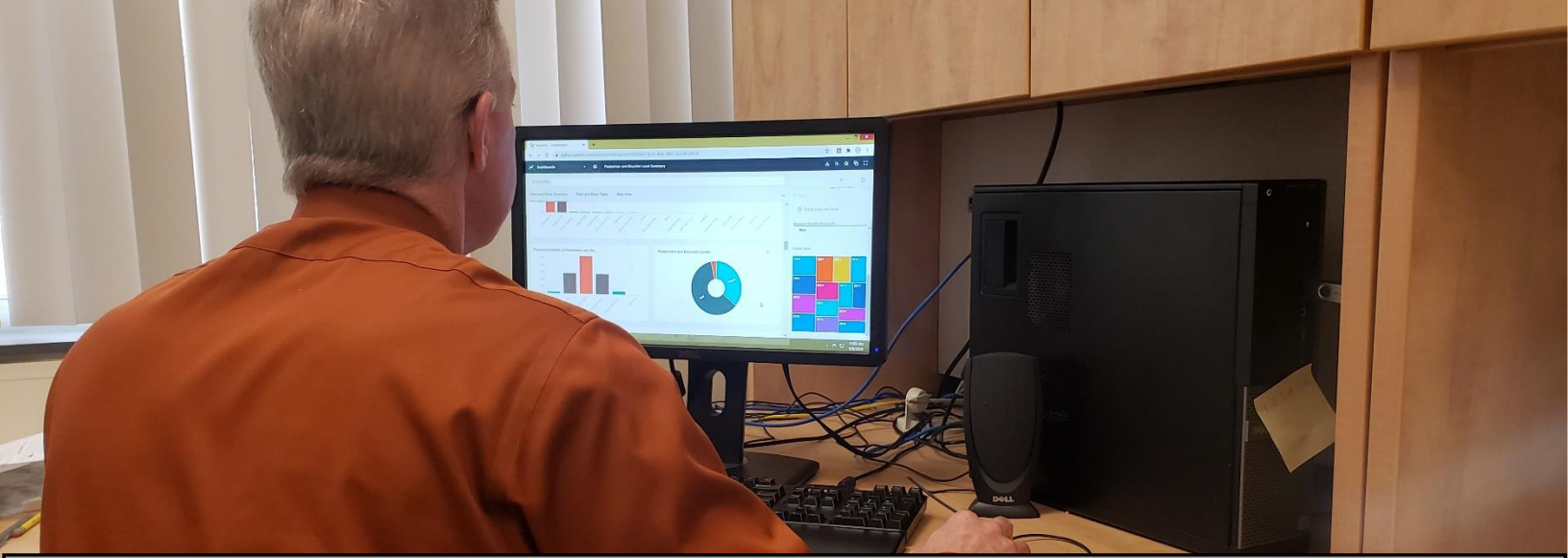
This course is open to all traffic-incident first responders including personnel in law enforcement, firefighting, emergency medical services (EMS), public safety, public works, towing and recovery, and hazardous materials (HAZMAT).

Registration The course is free, but registration is required at BOTH of the following

websites: <https://cait.rutgers.edu/events/> >> NJTIM.org >>



This course is free thanks to funding and support from the Federal Highway Administration and the New Jersey Department of Transportation. For more information, contact David Maruca at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu



RUTGERS

Center for Advanced
Infrastructure and
Transportation

Data-Driven Countermeasures for Traffic Safety

Webinar Dates:

**March 30-31, 2021 &
October 20, 2022**
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

This is a virtual training class utilizing the Webex platform. Participants must have access to a laptop/desktop computer with internet access

Attendees must submit a letter of support and complete the questionnaire as prerequisites to be considered for admittance into the class

Hosted by Rutgers CAIT, this free three-day course provides prospective Project Managers and Grant Writers with the tools necessary to extract data related to crash prone areas, develop and submit a grant to the Division of Highway Traffic Safety, implement proven countermeasures and strategies to proactively address traffic safety issue(s), and measure the impact of their intervention(s).

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Registration: This course is free and opened to Municipal, County, and State Agencies as well as Non-Profits statewide, but agencies must meet all the prerequisites to include completing a questionnaire and submitting a letter of support for acceptance. For more information, go to: <https://cait.rutgers.edu/events/>



This course is offered free of charge thanks to funding and support from the New Jersey Division of Traffic Safety. For more information, contact David Maruca, CAIT Project Manager, at dem200@soe.rutgers.edu.

NHTSA 2021 Communications Calendar

Campaign Material Available at www.TrafficSafetyMarketing.gov

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Happy New Year!

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February 7

Super Bowl LV

IMPAIRED DRIVING

Primary Message: *Fans Don't Let Fans Drive Drunk*

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March 8 – 12

Vehicle Safety Recalls Week

March 17

St. Patrick's Day

IMPAIRED DRIVING

Primary Message: *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving*

March 22 – April 12

Rail Grade Crossing Campaign

Primary Message: *Stop. Trains Can't.*



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National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

April 5 – 12

U Drive. U Text. U Pay.

DISTRACTED DRIVING

Primary Message: *U Drive. U Text. U Pay.*

Paid Media

April 20

Drug-Impaired Driving Campaign

Primary Message: *If You Feel Different, You Drive Different*



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National Youth Traffic Safety Month
Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

May 1

National Heatstroke Prevention Day

HEATSTROKE AWARENESS

Paid Media

May 17 – June 6

Click It or Ticket

OCCUPANT PROTECTION

Primary Message: *Click It or Ticket*

Paid Media

National Enforcement Mobilization



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June 21

National Ride to Work Day

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

Primary Message: *Share the Road With Motorcyclists*



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Vehicle Theft Prevention Month

July 4

IMPAIRED DRIVING

DRUG-IMPAIRED DRIVING

Primary Messages: *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving; Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over; Ride Sober or Get Pulled Over; If You Feel Different, You Drive Different*



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August 18 – September 6

Impaired Driving National Enforcement

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

IMPAIRED DRIVING

DRUG-IMPAIRED DRIVING

Primary Messages:

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over;

Ride Sober or Get Pulled Over;

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different

Drive High – Get a DUI

Paid Media

National Enforcement Mobilization



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September 6 – 27

Rail Grade Crossing Campaign

Primary Message: *Stop. Trains Can't.*

September 19 – 25

Child Passenger Safety Week

OCCUPANT PROTECTION

September 25

National Seat Check Saturday



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Pedestrian Safety Month

October 17 – 23

National Teen Driver Safety Week

TEEN DRIVING ISSUES

October 31

Halloween

IMPAIRED DRIVING

Primary Messages:

Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving;

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different



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November 24 – 28

Thanksgiving Holiday Travel

IMPAIRED DRIVING

DRUG-IMPAIRED DRIVING

November 24

Blackout Wednesday

Primary Message: *Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving*

November 25

Thanksgiving Holiday Travel

OCCUPANT PROTECTION

Primary Message: *Buckle Up. Every Trip. Every Time.*

November 30 – December 14

Pre-Holiday Season

IMPAIRED DRIVING

DRUG-IMPAIRED DRIVING

Primary Messages:

Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving;

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different



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December 15 – January 1, 2022

Holiday Season

IMPAIRED DRIVING

DRUG-IMPAIRED DRIVING

Primary Messages:

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over;

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different

Drive High - Get a DUI

Paid Media

National Enforcement Mobilization



December 26 – 31

TV Bureau of Advertising Roadblock

Primary Message:

Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving



2021 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY EVENTS CALENDAR



U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR	WEB LINK
January 24–28	Transportation Research Board Conference (Washington, DC)	Transportation Research Board	www.trb.org
February 2–4	SAE Government/Industry Meeting (Washington, DC)	TBD	www.sae.org/attend/government-industry
February 6–9	Winter Legislative & Technology Conference (Washington, DC)	National Sheriffs' Association (NSA)	www.sheriffs.org
March 8–12	Vehicle Safety Recalls Week	NHTSA	www.nhtsa.gov/recalls
March 22–April 12	Rail Grade Crossing Campaign	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/rail-grade-crossing
April 1	National Walking Day	NHTSA	www.nhtsa.gov
April 5–12	National Distracted Driving Awareness Month	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/distracted-driving
April 11–17	National 911 Public Safety Telecommunicators Week		www.npstw.org
April 25–27	Lifesavers 2021 Conference (Long Beach, CA)	Multiple public and private organizations	www.lifesaversconference.org
April 26–30	National Work Zone Awareness Week	Federal Highway Administration	www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/outreach/wz_awareness.htm
April (Entire Month)	National Distracted Driving Awareness Month	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/distracted-driving
April (Entire Month)	Alcohol Awareness Month	National Institutes of Health	www.nih.gov
May (Entire Month)	National Youth Traffic Safety Month	National Organizations for Youth Safety	www.noys.org
May (Entire Month)	Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/motorcycle-safety
May (Entire Month)	National Bicycle Safety Month	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/bicycle-safety
May 1	National Heatstroke Prevention Day	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/child-safety/heatstroke-prevention
May 5	Bike to School Day	National Center for Safe Routes to School	www.walkbiketoschool.org
May 9–15	National Police Week	The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund	www.nleomf.com
May 16–22	National EMS Week	American College of Emergency Physicians	www.acep.org/emsweek
TBD	Tire Safety Week	U.S. Tire Manufacturers Association	www.ustires.org
June 6	Secure Your Load Day	Robin Abel	www.secureyourload.com
June 21	Ride to Work Day	NHTSA	www.ridetoworkday.org
June 22–25	Annual Education & Technology Expo (Phoenix, AZ)	National Sheriffs' Association (NSA)	www.sheriffs.org
TBD	Annual Training Conference & Exhibit (TBD)	National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE)	www.noblenational.org
July (Entire Month)	Vehicle Theft Prevention Month	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/vehicle-safety/vehicle-theft-prevention
TBD	Annual Training Conference on Drugs, Alcohol, and Impaired Driving (TBD)	IACP, NHTSA	www.theIACP.org/DAIDConference
TBD	Int'l Forum on Traffic Records and Highway Safety Info. Sys. (TBD)	Association of Transportation Safety Information Professionals	www.atsip.org
August 20–September 6	National Impaired Driving HVE Campaign	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/drunk-driving/drive-sober-or-get-pulled-over
August 28–September 1	Governors Highway Safety Association Annual Meeting (Denver, CO)	Governors Highway Safety Association	www.ghsa.org/html/meetings/index.html
August 31–September 2	AAMVA Annual International Conference (Denver, CO)	American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA)	www.aamva.org
September 19–25	Child Passenger Safety Week	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/child-safety
September 25	National Seat Check Saturday	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/child-safety
October (Entire Month)	Pedestrian Safety Month	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/pedestrian-safety
October 6	Walk to School Day	National Center for Safe Routes to Schools	www.walkbiketoschool.org
October 17–23	National Teen Driver Safety Week	Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and NHTSA	www.teendriversource.org www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov
October 18–22	National School Bus Safety Week	National Association of Pupil Transportation	www.napt.org
November 6–9	Int'l Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference & Expo (Atlanta, GA)	Multiple public and private organizations	www.theiacp.org
December (Entire Month)	National Drunk & Drug-Impaired Driving Prevention Month (3D)	Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)	www.whitehouse.gov/ondcp
December 17–January 1	National Impaired Driving HVE Campaign	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/drunk-driving/drive-sober-or-get-pulled-over









ICE & SNOW

Remove It Before You Go

- ▲ Remember to remove all ice and snow from your vehicle before driving, especially from the hood, windows and roof.
- ▲ **It's the law in New Jersey!**
- ▲ Motorists who fail to do so face fines of \$25 to \$75 for each offense, regardless of whether the ice and snow is dislodged from the vehicle.
- ▲ **If flying ice or snow causes property damage or injury to others, motorists face fines of \$200 to \$1,000 for each offense.**



Winter Driving Tips

-  Drive slow (at or below the posted speed limit) and adjust your speed for the changing road conditions.
-  Turn on your headlights, using low beams when traveling in snow.
-  Increase your following distance. In winter weather, travel at least eight to 10 seconds behind the car in front of you.
-  Give snowplows plenty of room to work. Don't tailgate and try not to pass. If you must pass, take extreme caution in doing so. Remember, a snowplow operator's field of vision is restricted. You may see them, but they don't always see you.
-  If you skid, don't brake or accelerate. Remove your foot from the gas, and gently steer your car in the direction of the skid (the direction the rear of your vehicle is sliding.) When your car starts heading in the desired direction, carefully straighten the wheel.
-  Slow down before exiting the highway. Exit ramps often have icy patches, sharp curves and stalled or stopped vehicles.
-  Have a personal safety kit easily accessible in your vehicle that includes: an ice scraper/brush; shovel; jumper cables or battery starter; blanket; sand, salt or kitty litter for traction; lock de-icer; flashlight and new batteries; extra windshield wiper fluid; safety flares/warning device; cell phone with a spare battery; water and non-perishable food (i.e., granola or protein bars); and paper towels or a cloth.
-  If your vehicle does become disabled, pull off the road as far as possible and turn on your emergency flashers. Remain with your vehicle until help arrives. If you can't get your vehicle off the road and are uncertain about your safety, do not stay in your vehicle or stand behind it. Proceed carefully to a safe location away from traffic.

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Department of Community Affairs

Division of Weights and Measures



MEMORANDUM

TO: State, City, Borough, and Township Police Department

FROM: Raymond Szpond, Acting Supervisor
Licensing/Metrology Laboratory

SUBJECT: Tuning Forks Invoice

Enclosed is our **Inspection and Test of Radar Tuning Forks Invoice**. Please complete, and bring with you to your next scheduled tuning fork inspection.

To expedite the testing of the tuning forks in a timely manner and make your waiting period brief, please do the following:

- a) have your purchase order form, along with our tuning fork invoice **ENTIRELY** filled out, **including mailing address section**, and have a signed **copy** with the **OFFICER'S SIGNATURE**,
- b) when filling out our tuning forks invoice, please list each tuning fork by miles per hour and serial numbers,
- c) have all tuning forks sorted by miles per hour in their bundles,
- d) all checks should have an attached copy of our tuning forks invoice, so payments can be applied adequately,
- e) make check payable to **WEIGHTS and MEASURES FUND**.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, if you have any questions, I can be reached at (732) 815-4849, or you may contact one of my staff members in the Metrology Laboratory at (732) 815-4859.

RS/ns

Enclosed: Blank - Inspection and Test of Radar Tuning Forks Invoice



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Application for the Inspection and Test of Radar Tuning Forks

Page No.: _____

Date: _____

Purchase Order No.: _____

We hereby make application for the inspection and testing of the below listed radar tuning forks

Police Department: _____ County _____

Mailing Address: _____

Business Telephone Number: (_____) _____

MPH	Fork Serial Number	MPH	Fork Serial Number
1		21	
2		22	
3		23	
4		24	
5		25	
6		26	
7		27	
8		28	
9		29	
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18		38	
19		39	
20		40	

Number of **Tuning Forks** on this page = _____ @ \$10.00 Each = \$ _____

Total fees of other pages = \$ _____

I hereby certify the above Information is true and correct. **Grand Total =** \$ _____

Police Department Officials Signature

Title

**NJ SAP 4, Handling Calibration and Test Items, Covid-19 modifications,
Police Radar Tuning Forks and Laser Units**

State of New Jersey, Office of Weights and Measures

1261 Routes 1 & 9 South, Avenel, New Jersey 07001

Kyle Pierson cell (973)220-1743

Michael Cecere cell (201)919-5163

For individual police departments submitting police radar tuning forks and laser units, the representative of the police department will;

- Report to the State of New Jersey, Office of Weights and Measures (OWM) at a designated date and time with the tuning forks and/or laser unit, and contact us by phone 10 minutes before arrival.
- Upon arrival, report to the truck bay and locate the box placed by a Metrologist in the designated drop-off area.
- Obeying all Covid-19 protocols regarding PPE and social distancing, will place all tuning forks and lasers to be calibrated in the box and wipe each artifact down thoroughly with alcohol or antibacterial wipes. For individual tuning forks, this can be done in advance if they are placed in sealed packaging.
- Upon completion of the above steps, will immediately leave the truck bay and the State OWM. A receipt of submission of the artifacts will be provided by email only to the police department representative.

For multiple police departments submitting police radar tuning forks and laser units, a request can be made to have the equipment picked up in one location by a representative of the NJ OWM. If the request is approved, an appointment will be set for a date, time, and location for the pick-up of equipment. A single representative of the participating police departments will;

- Share with all participating police departments this protocol and inform all participants that the tuning forks and lasers must be wiped down with alcohol or antibacterial wipes.
- Gather all equipment to be calibrated, including paperwork, and contact the State OWM when it is ready to be picked up. **NOTE: If there is not an approval to have a representative of the NJ OWM pick up the equipment at a designated location, please follow the steps for individual police departments listed above.**
- Upon arrival at the agreed location of pick-up, the representative of the State OWM will pick up all equipment to be calibrated, obeying all Covid-19 protocols regarding PPE and social distancing.
- During the pick-up of the equipment, the representative of the OWM will sign documentation if asked, but the reconciliation of all equipment and paperwork will be conducted at the State OWM, and a receipt of submission of the artifacts will be provided by email only to the single representative of the participating police departments. Any discrepancies between the documented submissions and the actual artifacts submitted will be addressed with the police department representative at this stage.

After a minimum holding period of 72 hours, the Metrologists will calibrate the police radar tuning forks and lasers, obeying all Covid-19 protocols regarding PPE and social distancing. Upon completion of the calibrations, the Metrologists will contact the representative of the police department(s) to arrange for either the pick-up or drop-off of equipment.

For individual or multiple police departments picking up equipment, the representative of the police department will;

- Report to the State OWM at a designated date and time and contact us 10 minutes before arrival. This will allow the Metrologist adequate time to place the police radar tuning forks and/or lasers in the designated pick-up area.
- Upon arrival, report to the truck bay and locate the box placed by a Metrologist in the designated pick-up area.
- Obeying all Covid-19 protocols regarding PPE and social distancing, the police department representative will pick up all equipment and accompanying paperwork, such as invoices, purchase orders, or Calibration Certificates.
- Upon completion of the above steps, will immediately leave the truck bay and the State OWM.

For multiple police departments receiving equipment, a single representative of the participating police departments will;

- Be contacted by the Metrologists of the State OWM to arrange for a location, date, and time of the drop-off of all equipment.
- On that arranged date and time, will receive all equipment and accompanying paperwork, such as invoices, purchase orders, or Calibration Certificates. Acknowledgement of this drop-off will be emailed to the representative of all police departments.