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TO: All Law Enforcement Officials

FROM: Rosalie Johnson, Acting Chair and Chief Administrator

DATE: June 23, 2026

SUBJECT: **E-Bike Law Implementation**

Starting June 26, 2026, the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (NJMVC) will begin issuing licenses and registrations for e-bike operators in accordance with P.L.2025, c.285. This act amended various definitions at N.J.S.A. 39:1-1; expanded the categories of bicycles classified as motorized bicycles; and established certain license, registration, and insurance requirements for the operation of low-speed electric bicycles and motorized bicycles in the state.

The term "e-bike" commonly refers to both low-speed electric bicycles and motorized bicycles as defined under N.J.S.A. 39:1-1:

- Low-speed electric bicycle — a pedal assisted bicycle with a helper motor that only provides assistance while pedaling up to 20 mph.
- Motorized bicycle — a pedal assisted bicycle with either:
  - An engine under 50 cubic centimeters;
  - An electric motor that provides assistance while pedaling or with a throttle up to 28 mph; or
  - An electric motor that provides assistance while using a throttle, up to 15 mph.

The operation of an e-bike is prohibited for those under the age of 15.

See below for a summary of the license, registration, and insurance requirements for operating low-speed electric bicycles and motorized bicycles pursuant to P.L.2025, c.285.

License Requirements

To lawfully operate a low-speed electric bicycle or motorized bicycle:

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- Operators aged 17 and older must possess a valid driver license (any class)
- Operators aged 15-17, or those without a valid driver license, must possess a valid moped license (class F)

Sample images of a valid moped license — both standard and REAL ID — can be found in the appendix on page 8.

As per N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3(c)(4), operators of low-speed electric bicycles are exempt from license requirements if they are: (1) operating a rented vehicle from a company contracted with a local government and (2) at least 16 years of age.

Registration Requirements

All low-speed electric bicycles and motorized bicycles must be registered with the NJMVC for lawful operation. Operators must also possess proof of registration, in paper or electronic form, while operating the vehicle.

Upon registration, low-speed electric bicycle and motorized bicycle operators will receive two (2) license plate stickers that shall be placed on both sides of the vehicle's front fork, as shown below:

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Insurance Requirements

Operators of low-speed electric bicycles are not required to maintain insurance on the vehicle.

Operators of motorized bicycles must maintain insurance on the vehicle and possess proof of insurance while operating the vehicle.

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Appendix

Operators of low-speed electric bicycles are not required to maintain insurance on the vehicle.

Please see examples below of low-speed electric bicycles.

Low Speed E Bike with pedal assist

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Operators of motorized bicycles must maintain insurance on the vehicle and possess proof of insurance while operating the vehicle.

Please see examples below of motorized bicycles

Motorized Bike (Notice the large engine)

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E-trikes are not defined as an electric bicycle of any kind and are exempt from this law.

Please see an example below of an e-trike.

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All New Jerseyans who will need to obtain an e-bike permit, and then license, will receive a MOPED driver license.

Please see below an example of an e-bike examination permit.

EXAMINATION PERMIT

M6525 73483 81802
MOPED
TEST TO
225 E STATE ST
TRENTON NJ 08608

CLASS F MOPED
ENDR:

CERTIFICATE NOT ISSUED

CM ST20281270000001

DOB: 11/10/1980 EXPIRES: 08/05/2026
ISSUED: 05/07/2026 EYES: BRN
HT: 5-02 CM ST20281270001
FEE: 5.00 (C) REN GENDER: F

NOT VALID FOR PRACTICE
DRIVING UNTIL OFFICIALLY
STAMPED ON REVERSE SIDE

X_____

M6525 73483 81802

ROAD TEST NO _____ REJECTED BY RETURN
ID APPROVAL _____
CS_____ ND_____

LAW
SIGN_____DATE_____

VISION
WOG R20 L20 B20
WG R20 L20 B20
CP_____BY_____DATE_____

RESTRICTIONS_____

DRIVING_____DATE_____

KNOWLEDGE TEST:

AUTO
MOTORCYCLE
MOPED
AGRICULTURE

APPOINTMENT FOR DRIVING TEST

PLACE DATE TIME ACTUAL

X_____

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Please see below an example of an e-bike license (REAL ID License).

Please see below an example of an e-bike license (Standard License).

Examples

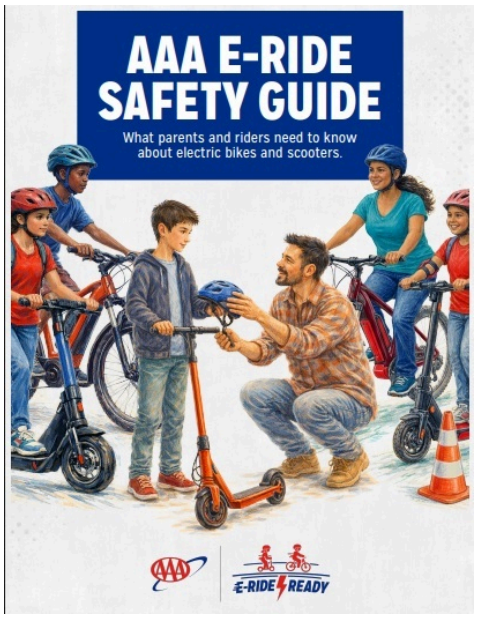
New Jersey
A1D4B2
MOPED
New Jersey
A1D4B2
MOPED
New Jersey
1A2L1P
LOW SPEED
New Jersey
1A2L1P
LOW SPEED
LOW SPEED
1A2L1N
LOW SPEED
New Jersey
1A2L1M
LOW SPEED
New Jersey
1A2L1M
LOW SPEED

New Jersey
A1D4B2
MOPED
Max's
ELECTRIC BIKES

CLICK FOR ADDITIONAL INFO

AAA E-Ride Ready Campaign

AAA has launched its new “E-Ride Ready” campaign as electric bikes and scooters continue to grow in popularity, especially during the summer months. The campaign is designed to help parents, caregivers, and young riders better



understand the risks associated with e-bikes and e-scooters and take steps to prevent serious injuries.

The campaign includes an E-Ride Safety Guide with information on different types of e-bikes and e-scooters, helmet guidance, safety checklists, tips for riding around traffic and pedestrians, and conversation starters for parents and young riders. The guide also provides safety reminders for both drivers and e-riders.

As e-bike and e-scooter use continues to increase, agencies are encouraged to share safety information with their communities and reinforce the importance of helmets, responsible riding, parent involvement, and awareness around vehicles, pedestrians, curbs, and other roadway hazards.

AAA Launches New Campaign

AAA E-RIDE SAFETY GUIDE

NJPTOA President's Message July 2026

As we move into the heart of summer, traffic safety remains one of our greatest priorities. While many New Jersey families are enjoying vacations and spending more time on our roadways, law enforcement officers continue working every day to reduce crashes, save lives, and educate the public.

I'm encouraged to report that New Jersey continues to see positive movement in our fatal crash statistics. As of July 7, 2026, our state has experienced 271 traffic fatalities compared to 285 at the same point last year—a reduction of nearly five percent. While every life saved represents progress, 271 lives lost is still far too many. These numbers remind us that our mission is far from

complete and reinforce the importance of sustained enforcement, education, engineering, and community engagement.

This month also marks the implementation of New Jersey's new e-bike licensing and registration requirements. The Association has been actively involved in providing guidance to law enforcement agencies as they prepare for enforcement and public education. I encourage every member to familiarize themselves with the available resources, including the NJSACOP E-Bike Guidance Report, and to partner with schools, municipalities, and community organizations to educate riders and parents about these important changes.

AAA's new E-Ride Ready campaign is another excellent example of how public-private partnerships can improve roadway safety. As e-bikes and e-scooters become increasingly common, education will be just as important as enforcement in preventing serious injuries and crashes.

I also encourage agencies to continue participating in Goal: Zero initiatives, speed enforcement campaigns, and impaired driving enforcement efforts throughout the summer. Visibility matters. Every traffic stop, educational event, school presentation, and community interaction provides another opportunity to influence driver behavior and prevent tragedy.

Finally, I would like to thank each of our members for your continued professionalism and commitment to traffic safety. Whether you serve as a traffic officer, supervisor, crash investigator, reconstructionist, or patrol officer, your work makes a measurable difference on New Jersey's roadways every day.

Although we will not hold regular Association meetings during July and August, the Executive Board will continue working on legislative initiatives, training opportunities, and member services in preparation for our September meeting. I look forward to seeing everyone on September 2, 2026, at AAA in Hamilton.

Have a safe summer, and thank you for all that you do.

Warm regards,

Chief Antonio Ellis

President

New Jersey Police Traffic Officers Association

2026 Statewide Fatal Crash Snapshot

New Jersey's 2026 fatal crash data continues to show progress compared to the same point last year. As of July 7, 2026, the state has recorded 258 fatal crashes and 271 fatalities, compared to 266 fatal crashes and 285 fatalities at the same point in 2025. This reflects a 4.9% year-to-date reduction in fatalities, with 14 fewer lives lost compared to the same point last year.

Looking at prior-year trends, 2025 ended with 565 fatalities, compared to 691 fatalities in 2024. While the continued downward trend is encouraging, 271 lives lost so far this year is a reminder that the work is far from over.

Fatal crash data remains a key barometer of roadway safety. Continued high-visibility enforcement, public education, and coordinated statewide traffic safety efforts remain essential to sustaining progress and reducing serious and fatal crashes on New Jersey roadways.

MVC 90-Day Vehicle Inspection Sticker Extension

The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission has issued Administrative Order 2026-01, providing a 90-day extension for vehicle inspection stickers due for renewal between April 2026 and July 2026.

Under this order, inspection stickers are extended as follows: April to July, May to August, June to September, and July to October.

Officers should be aware of these temporary extensions when conducting enforcement and ensure that vehicles displaying affected stickers are evaluated in accordance with the updated timelines.

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TO: All Law Enforcement Officials
FROM: Rosalie Johnson, Acting Chair and Chief Administrator
DATE: April 8, 2026
SUBJECT: **90-Day Extension for Vehicle Inspection Stickers**

I have signed Administrative Order 2026-01, which extends the expiration date of any valid vehicle inspection sticker that is due for renewal between April 2026 and July 2026 for ninety (90) days.

The vehicle inspection sticker extensions are as follows:

- April sticker (month '4') — extended to July (month '7')
- May sticker (month '5') — extended to August (month '8')
- June sticker (month '6') — extended to September (month '9')
- July sticker (month '7') — extended to October (month '10')

Please carefully read the accompanying Administrative Order 2026-01.

Thank you.

Goal Zero Memorial Enforcement Campaign – Navy Ensign John R. Elliott

Goal Zero Statewide Rollout

Next Date: Saturday July 22nd, 2026 - 3pm - 7pm

On Wednesday, July 22, 2026, the Goal Zero initiative will conduct an enforcement campaign from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM dedicated to the memory of Navy Ensign John R. Elliott.

Ensign Elliott, a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, was tragically killed on July 22, 2000, in a collision with a drunk driver just two months after his graduation. His death led his parents, Bill and Muriel Elliott, to establish the John R. Elliott HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers, a statewide and national effort focused on preventing impaired driving tragedies by promoting the use of safe and sober designated drivers.

Agencies are encouraged to participate by conducting high-visibility enforcement and public education focused on impaired driving, designated-driver awareness, seat belt use, speeding, distracted driving, and other violations that contribute to serious and fatal crashes. This focused effort honors Ensign Elliott's legacy while reinforcing our shared mission of moving toward zero fatalities and serious injuries on New Jersey roadways.

The HERO Campaign continues to promote the message: Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver.

Note: Goal Zero Palm Cards are available.

GOAL ZERO REPORTING LINK

The John R. Elliott HERO Campaign®

Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver®

The John R. Elliott HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers®

is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to preventing drunk driving deaths and injuries by promoting the use of responsible designated drivers. The HERO Campaign was established by the family of Navy Ensign John R. Elliott of Egg Harbor Township, NJ, who was killed in a head-on collision with a drunk driver in July, 2000, two months after graduating from the United States Naval Academy.

The Campaign is saving lives throughout New Jersey and surrounding states in partnership with law enforcement; schools and colleges; federal and state highway safety organizations; the licensed beverage industry; and professional sports teams including the Philadelphia Phillies, the New York Football Giants, the New England Patriots, and Keeneland Race Course in Kentucky.

Since 2000, the HERO Campaign, has grown into a major movement, receiving numerous state and national awards. A Stockton University poll in southern New Jersey found that over 40 percent of those polled said they had served as designated drivers due to the campaign, which has contributed to a 20 percent reduction in alcohol-related fatalities and incidents in the state over the past decade.

Summary of HERO Campaign Programs:

1. The HERO Pledge: Over 100,000 motorists, young and old, have taken our online HERO Pledge not to drink and drive, and to use designated drivers whenever they are drinking alcohol.

2. Highway HEROES: More than 250,000 HERO decals with the message, "Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver," have been distributed for display by designated drivers, who receive gift certificates whenever their decals are spotted.

3. HERO Billboards: Scores of billboards donated by Clear Channel Outdoor on highways throughout New Jersey ask motorists to, "Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver," and honor the memories of DUI victims as sober reminders of the human cost of drinking and driving.

4. Registration Drives: At schools and colleges, in sports stadiums and in bars and restaurants, the Campaign registers thousands of designated drivers.

5. HERO of the Year: Outstanding student designated drivers are chosen by HERO colleges and universities, and recognized as role models as their pictures are displayed on highway billboards, encouraging the public to use designated drivers.

6. HERO Patrol Cars: The HERO Campaign's designated driver message has now been adopted by a number of municipal police departments, whose patrol cars have become rolling billboards wrapped with the HERO symbol and our signature message: Be a HERO. Be a Designated Driver!®

7. John R. Elliott HERO Walk & 5k Run: One thousand walkers, runners volunteers and sponsors join us along the Ocean City, NJ Boardwalk to promote the importance of designated drivers and to recognize the victims of DUI and their families.

8. Bar and Tavern Safe Ride Programs: The HERO Campaign partners with bar and tavern owners, taxi companies, and ride sharing services to provide discounted safe rides home for selected patrons. Designated drivers also are rewarded with free soft drinks and non-alcoholic HERO*tini*® mocktails.

9. DUI Victim Advocacy: HERO Campaign staff work with families of DUI victims to honor their memories in their communities, including educational programs at schools and businesses.

10. The HERO Video Network: The Campaign partners with high school and college media students to produce videos promoting the HERO Pledge and designated driving, posting them on the Campaign's website and on social media.

We invite you to support the HERO Campaign's life-saving mission and make the use of designated drivers be as automatic as wearing a seatbelt.
For more information, visit HEROcampaign.org or call 609.626.3880. Thank You!

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Headquartered at Stockton University

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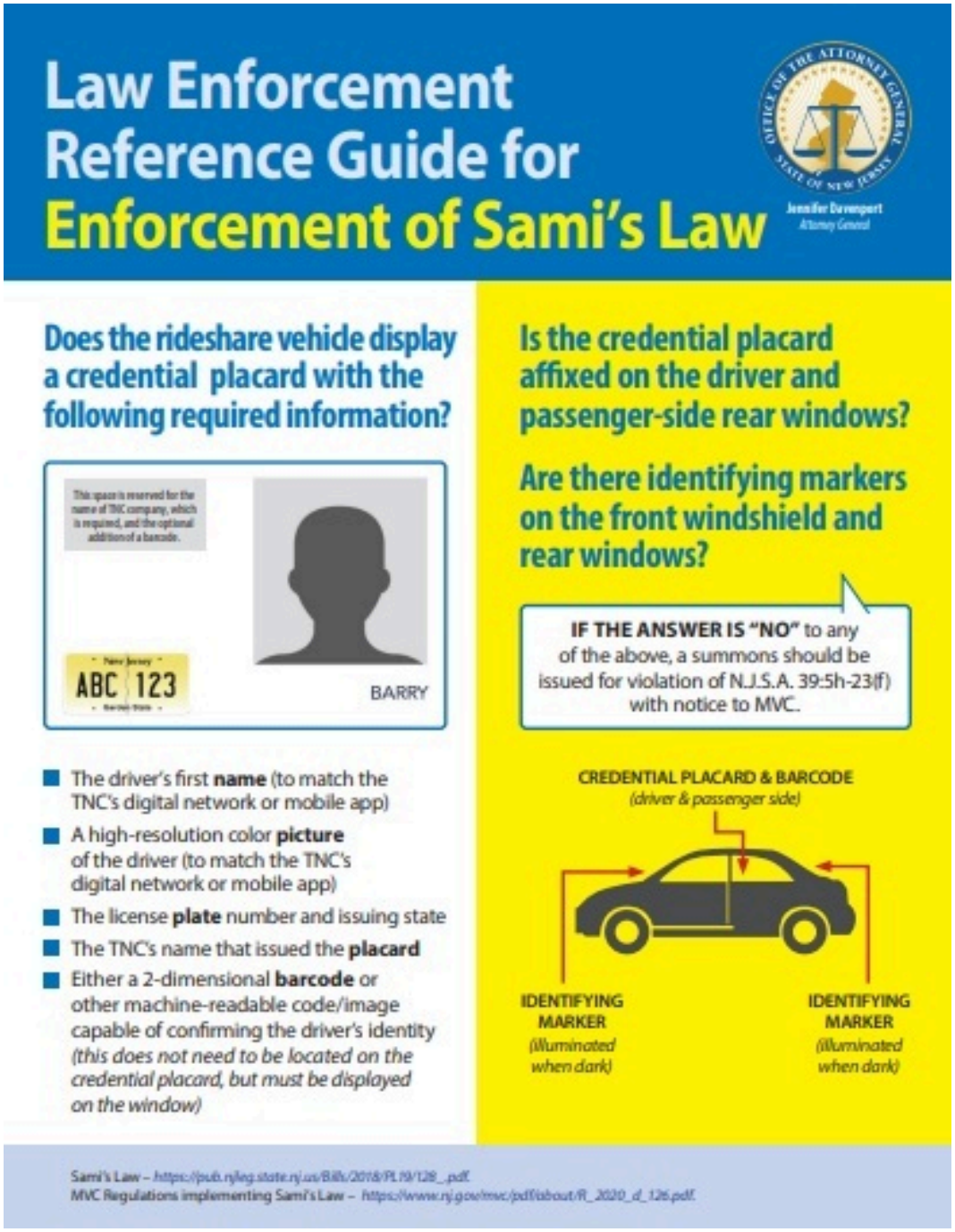
HERO Campaign



Sami's Law Enforcement

The New Jersey Attorney General's Office has issued a reminder to law enforcement regarding compliance with Sami's Law, which was enacted after the tragic death of Samantha "Sami" Josephson, a Robbinsville resident and University of South Carolina student who mistakenly entered a vehicle she believed was her rideshare.

With the FIFA World Cup currently underway and summer travel increasing rideshare activity throughout the region, officers are reminded of the importance of rideshare passenger safety and enforcement of Transportation Network

Company requirements. Rideshare vehicles are required to display proper identifying markers, credential placards, and machine-readable barcodes so passengers can confirm they are entering the correct vehicle.

Officers should familiarize themselves with the Attorney General's memorandum and the Law Enforcement Reference Guide for Sami's Law. If a rideshare vehicle does not display the required credential placards, identifying markers, or barcode information, enforcement action may be appropriate under N.J.S.A. 39:5H-23(f), with notice to MVC.

Agencies are encouraged to share this information with their officers and reinforce awareness of Sami's Law during the World Cup, summer travel, special events, and periods of increased rideshare use.

Support for Pam O'Donnell

NJPTOA is sharing this fundraiser in support of Pam O'Donnell, founder of the Catch You Later Foundation, who was recently diagnosed with cancer. Pam has been a powerful voice for traffic safety after the tragic loss of her husband, Tim, and young daughter, Bridget, in a crash caused by an impaired driver.

Pam remains in good spirits and has made it clear that she plans to continue her traffic safety presentations while she fights this battle. Her daughter, Ali, started this fundraising campaign to help ease some of the burden on their family during this difficult time.

Click here to donate or share.

Vehicular Heatstroke Prevention

May – September 2026

As temperatures rise, vehicular heatstroke remains one of the leading causes of non-crash, vehicle-related fatalities for children. Parked vehicles can heat up rapidly, creating deadly conditions in minutes—even on mild days. Children are especially vulnerable, as their body temperature rises significantly faster than adults.

This campaign focuses on education, awareness, and prevention, reminding caregivers and the public that these tragedies are entirely preventable through simple, consistent habits.

Primary Message: Stop. Look. Lock.

Vehicle Theft Prevention Month

July 2026

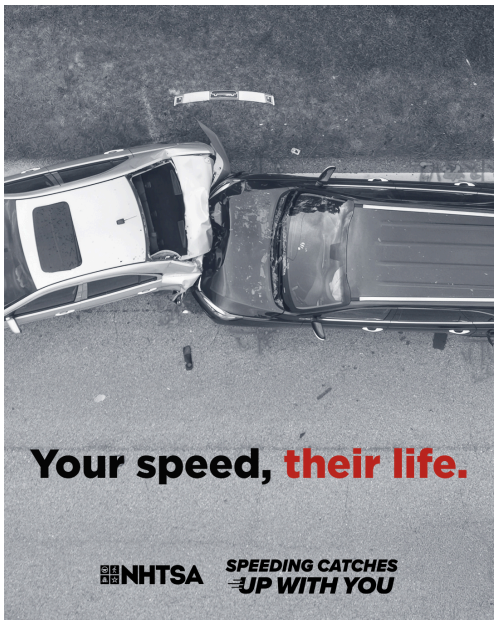
July is recognized as Vehicle Theft Prevention Month, providing an opportunity to remind motorists that vehicle theft can happen anytime, anywhere, and to anyone. Agencies are encouraged to use this month to share theft prevention messaging, safety tips, and available resources with their communities.

Motorists should be reminded to take simple but important steps to protect their vehicles, including locking doors, closing windows, removing keys and key fobs, hiding valuables, parking in well-lit areas, and never leaving a running vehicle unattended. Additional protection, such as alarms, steering wheel locks, GPS

tracking devices, and vehicle recovery systems, can also help reduce the risk of theft.

Agencies are encouraged to support this message through public education, social media, community outreach, and crime prevention messaging throughout the month of July.

Primary Message: Park smart. Lock up. Secure your keys.



Speeding Catches Up With You

July 6 – July 31, 2026

NHTSA's Speeding Catches Up With You campaign is a year-round speed prevention effort with a national paid media buy scheduled during the month of July. The campaign focuses on educating motorists about the dangers of speeding and encouraging drivers to obey posted speed limits.

Speeding remains a major contributing factor in serious and fatal crashes. As summer travel continues, agencies are encouraged to support this message through public education, social media, variable message boards, community outreach, and traffic safety enforcement focused on speed-related violations.

Motorists should be reminded that speeding reduces reaction time, increases stopping distance, and places everyone on the roadway at greater risk.

Primary Message: Speeding Catches Up With You.

Speeding Slows You Down

July 6 – July 31, 2026

NHTSA's Speeding Slows You Down campaign is a high-visibility enforcement mobilization focused on the consequences of speeding and the importance of obeying posted speed limits. The campaign reinforces that speeding is illegal, dangerous, and can result in citations, crashes, serious injuries, or fatalities.

During the month of July, agencies conducting speed-focused enforcement are encouraged to support this message through high-visibility patrols, public education, social media, variable message boards, and community outreach. As summer travel continues, this campaign provides a timely opportunity to remind drivers that slowing down protects lives and helps reduce serious and fatal crashes.

Motorists should be reminded that speeding reduces reaction time, increases stopping distance, and places drivers, passengers, pedestrians, cyclists, and officers at greater risk.

Primary Message: Speeding Slows You Down.

NHTSA Communications Calendar

2026 Highway Traffic Safety Events Calendar

NHTSA 2026 Communications Calendar

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Summer 2026

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2026 Federal/State Grant Reporting Cycle	Uniform Coordinated Effort June -July- August	Sound Off: Proactive Education and Enforcement
2026 State Pedestrian Safety Enforcement & Education Fund 2026 Grants – **All Reporting 6/15/26** **Click It or Ticket:** Progress Report - 6/15/26 Reimbursement Request - 6/30/26 **2026 Federal HTS grants:** Q3 Reporting Cycle – 7/15/2026 **Distracted Driving Crackdown**: Progress Report - 5/15/26 Reimbursement Request - 5/30/26 (Overdue)	**Sustained Enforcement Calander June** Seat Belt Safety - NHTSA Buckle Up Palm Card **Sustained Enforcement Calander July** "Not So Fast" Speeding Palm Card **National Enforcement Campaign – Impaired Driving** (August/Labor Day): 8/19/26 –9/7/26 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Drive Sober Palm Card	**Heatstroke Prevention** – As parents, a lot can happen in 10 minutes, including the inside temperature of your car rising 20°F! *No Heat Stroke* **NJSACOP: Traffic Safety Message** (video) **Traffic Safety Bulletin:** Contact: Mike Morris: mmorris@njsacop.org **Resources for PP&E Efforts**: *TMAs* and Statewide Non-Profit Organizations (ex. *BIANJ*, *Safe Kids*)

Monthly (June-Aug) Initiatives - *Traffic Safety Marketing | NHTSA*

Vehicular Heatstroke Prevention – 5/1/26 – 9/30/26 – May 1 is Heat Stroke Prevention Day. "*Prevent Hot Car Deaths. STOP. LOOK. LOCK.*"

Fourth of July Campaign (Drunk Driving) - 6/29/26 – 7/5/26 - "*Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving*".

Fourth of July Campaign (Drug-Impaired Driving) – 6/29/26 – 7/5/26 – "*If You Feel Different, You Drive Different*".

Vehicle Theft Prevention – 7/1/26 – 7/31/26 - A vehicle is stolen every 48 secs!

Speeding Catches Up With You – 7/6/26 – 7/31/26 – "Your speed, their life."

Grant Opportunities and Information

- HTS State Pedestrian Safety Enforcement & Education Fund 2026 grant activity concludes **May 31**.
- **Approved Federal FY2026 purchases must be ordered (PO issued) no later than August 1, 2026.**
- Required expense documentation: Purchase Order + Invoice + Proof of Payment. **No Sales Tax allowed!**
- All items greater than $250.00 require an Equipment Inventory Record to be completed.
- Commodities: NJTPA-StreetSmart Campaign; Contact William Yarzab wyarzab@njtpa.org; 973-877-8120
- Upcoming Mobilization: August Statewide Labor Day Crackdown DSOGPO applications open mid-June.
- Please review updated **Law Enforcement Grant Accountability Standards for Federally Funded Grants**.

Reminders/Updates

- June: Promote Seat Belt , Pedestrian Safety, Teen Driver Safety messaging & enforcement throughout Summer
- July: Promote Speed and Aggressive Driving messaging & enforcement throughout Summer.
- August: Promote Impaired Driving messaging & enforcement throughout Summer.
- Utilize *Staying Safe In the Car* Brochures English / Spanish.
- Post appropriate messages on variable message boards throughout town to amplify awareness.
- **NJDHTS Safe Passage** pamphlets available for all Traffic Safety Partners; *New* Graduated Driver License

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NJDHTS SUMMER 2026

Highlights from the June NJPTOA Meeting

Key outcomes from the June 3, 2026 NJPTOA General Membership Meeting included:

• Vendor presentations were provided by J-Tech / Block Access on vehicle ramming mitigation, roadway safety equipment, and certified protection systems for public events and pedestrian spaces

• Verkada presented on its cloud-based physical security platform, license plate reader technology, investigative tools, video sharing, and ongoing NJ SNAP vendor certification process

• Continued discussion on New Jersey's new e-bike registration and licensing requirements, including the upcoming registration sticker program, enforcement considerations, and the need for statewide guidance

• Continued emphasis on statewide fatal crash reduction, with discussion focused on speeding, impaired driving, distracted driving, and seat belt nonuse as significant contributing factors in serious and fatal crashes

• Division of Highway Traffic Safety provided updates on summer enforcement, Click It or Ticket reporting, upcoming Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over grant applications, pedestrian safety grants, and anticipated FY2027 funding reductions

• Goal Zero updates included the May 17 campaign honoring Manchester Patrolman Robert T. Tobias, the June 6 Move Over Law campaign honoring Trooper Marc Castellano, and the July 22 campaign honoring Ensign John Elliott

• NJDOT reminded agencies of the importance of electronic crash report submission, timely commercial motor vehicle crash reporting, and correcting fatal crash reports missing critical information

• Training updates were provided for crash investigation, Heavy Vehicle EDR, IPTM EDR I, Advanced Driver Assistance Systems, Injury Biomechanics, Pedestrian Safety Enforcement, Mature Drivers, Crossing Guard Supervisor training, and Kean University Traffic Safety Specialist awards

• Updates were provided regarding DDEF reimbursement, window tint legislative review, Traffic Incident Management, bike and e-bike safety programs, and upcoming community outreach opportunities

• NJPTOA discussed forming an e-bike working group and revisited the need for a standardized LiDAR training and certification program in New Jersey

• Members were reminded that regular NJPTOA meetings will resume in September, while newsletters, training information, and traffic safety updates will continue to be distributed during the summer

Full Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes will be available by month at the link above.

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NJSACOP Speed Management Survey – Shaping Statewide Safety

As we work to enhance traffic safety initiatives across New Jersey, we are reaching out to ask for your department's participation in our Traffic Survey. The data we collect is vital for shaping effective enforcement strategies and securing future resources for our agencies, but the strength of these results depends entirely on the volume of participation. We understand the demands on your schedule, so please feel free to delegate this task to your Traffic Bureau or a designated officer. We are aiming for 100% representation to ensure every jurisdiction's voice is heard; the more responses we receive, the better we can advocate for the needs of the New Jersey law enforcement community.

Speed Management Survey

NJDOT Crash Data Dashboard

The available data (2001-2018) is based on crash reports submitted by Police Departments and entered into the Crash Record Database. To access data from 2019 and onward, please use the following link to the New Jersey Department of Transportation Crash Data Dashboard. The New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT), Bureau of Transportation Data and Safety (BTDS) collects all New Jersey Police Crash Investigation Report forms (NJTR-1) statewide from both state and local law enforcement agencies. The BTDS receives an average of 320,000 crash reports annually that are processed, scanned, verified, and stored in a database.

NJDOT Crash Data Dashboard

Access to a more robust version of the dashboard can be accessed by Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Professionals by submitting a request to:

DOT-btds.numetric@dot.nj.gov

DDEF- Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Update

• DDEF Funds are secured upon conviction of 39:4-50.

• The improper use of the "Refusal" statute remains an issue: use 39:4-50.4A.

• DDEF Funds can be used to purchase 9510 breath testing devices.

• Overtime enforcement rates are not capped at the $70 grant rate.

• Over $5 million in funds remain unclaimed or unused.

To reinforce the rules of the DDEF program, all departments are reminded that at least 50% of this award must be used for overtime DWI enforcement to qualify for reimbursement. Consideration should be given to when DWI overtime details are scheduled, since statistics show alcohol consumption

peaks in evenings, overnight, and on weekends. Scheduling DWI details during morning or afternoon hours contradicts the purpose of this funding and should be avoided unless other circumstances or special events justify it.

Contact Steve Slimowicz at hts.ddef@njoag.gov (609-917-8530)

New Jersey Crossing Guard Training and Resources Program: Train-the-Trainer Class

Are you currently working as a Police Traffic Safety Officer supervising School Crossing Guards?

If YES, please join us for crossing guard supervisor training sessions.

Two online classes are available:

Thursday, May 28, 2026
8:30am – 11:00am

Tuesday, August 4, 2026
8:30am – 11:00am

About the Training

The training will include discussion of crossing guard hiring, training, and supervising procedures, and state and federal law and regulations, and guidance on conducting similar training for crossing guards in your community. **This class is free to participants.**

Register for May 28th class here

Register for August 4th class here

For more information on the New Jersey Crossing Guard Program, go to njcrossingguards.org

This training is sponsored by NJ Department of Transportation and NJ Division of Highway Traffic Safety with funding from the Federal Highway Administration, and by New Jersey Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund.

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Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy

Register for August 4th Class

Updated Kean University Crash Investigation Training

The New Jersey statewide crash investigation training program administered through Kean University has transitioned to a new two-course model designed to better align training with modern investigative practices, officer workload, and progressive skill development.

The former two-week Basic Crash Investigation and two-week Advanced Crash Investigation courses have been restructured into:

Fundamentals of At-Scene Crash Investigation

This one-week (40-hour) course replaces the previous two-week Basic Crash Investigation. It is designed as an entry-level, at-scene focused program that emphasizes evidence recognition, documentation, measurement, crash dynamics, human factors, and legally defensible investigative practices. The course concentrates on proper evidence preservation at serious-injury and fatal crashes, ensuring critical information is accurately captured for later analytical or reconstruction-level review.

Technical Crash Investigation and Vehicle Dynamics Analysis

This two-week (80-hour) course replaces the former Advanced Crash Investigation and serves as the Crash Analyst-level program. The course is math- and science-intensive and bridges the gap between at-scene investigation and full traffic crash reconstruction. Students are introduced to the physics and mathematical principles used to analyze crash evidence, estimate vehicle speeds and movements, and evaluate avoidability and potential criminal factors.

Why This Change Matters

- Improves efficiency by focusing Basic-level training on at-scene evidence handling
- Establishes a clearer progression from investigation to analysis
- Better prepares officers for advanced reconstruction training
- Preserves investigative quality while reducing time away from agencies

The training calendar is administered by the New Jersey State Police, Highway Traffic Safety Unit, in conjunction with the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety (NJDHTS). Any questions can be directed to the Program Coordinator, DSG Paul Applegate #6774, by phone at (732) 439-0529 or by e-mail at Paul.Applegate@njsp.gov.

PLEASE NOTE: Again for 2026, the registration links for each individual course will only go active 90 days prior to the start of the course.

Fundamentals of At-Scene Crash Investigation

July 27–31, 2026

Ocean County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Training Center

Little Egg Harbor, New Jersey

Registration link https://form.jotform.com/260406159041146

NEW *Fundamentals of At-Scene Crash Investigation Class Added, Click Link Below**

Hudson County at USS Juneau Memorial Center, Kearny, NJ from September 14 to September 18, 2026

Fundamentals of At-Scene Crash Investigation

Technical Crash Investigation and Vehicle Dynamics Analysis

RADAR INSTRUCTOR REFRESHER

GLOUCESTER COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY

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ROWAN COLLEGE OF SOUTH JERSEY

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1400 TANYARD RD. SEWELL, NJ 08080

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DECEMBER 15, 2026

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ROOM 310 POLICE ACADEMY BUILDING

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8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

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This half-day course is required for radar instructors once every three years. Prior to their expiration date during the third year of certification, instructors must attend this class. Radar instructors will no longer receive notification of when they are due for recertification. All Radar instructors are responsible to attend this class to receive their instructor certification renewal.

Instruction: Academy Staff

Fee: $-0-

Register Here

A confirmation will be mailed (Not emailed) to your chief or training officer. No registrations will be taken by phone, but if you have any questions, please call Sue Rothfuss at (856) 415-2266 or Donna Sentell at (856) 468-5000, ext. 6491

UPCOMING VIRTUAL TRAINING

Records Solutions Training

Thursday, July 16 at 1 PM ET

Learn how to create new efficiencies and save time by letting CARFAX for Police fulfill your crash reports for citizens and third-party purchasers.

Register Here

Save Time Clearing PDO Crashes

Tuesday, July 21 at 1 PM ET

Attend this interactive demo and learn how Driver Exchange 9-1-1 and Driver Exchange can divert PDO calls, clear crashes faster, triage calls for service, and provide real-time investigative intel at the crash scene.

Register Here

Investigative Tools Overview

Tuesday, July 28 at 1 PM ET

Learn how to use the suite of CARFAX for Police Investigative Tools to help solve crimes faster.

Register Here

Advance Your Career

NJ Traffic Safety Specialist (TSS) Certification

The New Jersey Traffic Safety Specialist (TSS) Certification Program (Levels I & II) is a free, voluntary statewide recognition program designed to acknowledge sworn New Jersey law enforcement officers who have demonstrated advanced training, experience, and proficiency in traffic safety and highway enforcement. The program promotes professional development and recognizes officers who have achieved elevated standards in traffic safety enforcement across New Jersey.

TSS Level I is open to actively employed sworn officers in good standing who have completed the police academy, possess required certifications (Speed Detection Device and Standard Field Sobriety), and have at least three years of patrol/traffic experience. Applicants must also earn 30 elective points through approved training, education, military service, or traffic-related achievements. Supervisor approval and documentation of all coursework and certifications are required.

TSS Level II builds upon Level I and is intended for officers with advanced expertise in traffic safety. Applicants must first obtain Level I certification, have at least six years of patrol/traffic experience, complete an additional 30 elective points (separate from Level I), and possess advanced credentials such as Crash Reconstruction, ACTAR certification, Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), or Police Traffic Engineering training. Level II applicants must also hold an instructor certification and submit a written traffic study or project for review.

To obtain a fillable PDF electronic version of the TSS-1 or TSS-2 applications, email Michael Tullio, TSS Program Coordinator, at Mtullio@kean.edu
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Follow the links below for more details and the application for TSS Level 1.

New Jersey TSS Level-1 Application

TSS Approved Course List

TSS Program Marketing Packet

Congratulations to the Newest Traffic Safety Specialist Designees

NJPTOA would like to congratulate the following officers and traffic safety professionals who recently received their Traffic Safety Specialist (TSS) Level I and Level II designations. Congratulations to all of the recipients for their dedication to professional development and their continued commitment to making New Jersey's roadways safer.

TSS Level I

Stephen Arnold — Ewing Twp. PD

David Brown — Hillsborough Twp. PD

Justin Bowman — Watchung PD

Chelsea Burns — Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office

Anthony Carrington III — Ocean County Prosecutor's Office

Matthew Cherney — Howell Twp. PD

Kevin Condus — Dunellen PD

Robert Dangler — Middlesex Borough PD

Bryan d'Anunciacao — Hillsborough Twp. PD

Fernando Garcia — Brigantine PD

Thomas Gurba — Hillsborough Twp. PD

Christopher Jerzewski — Montclair Twp. PD

Sean Lampf — Chatham Twp. PD

Francis Landi — Old Bridge Twp. PD

Timothy Leitstein — Hillsborough Twp. PD

Brian Mandelko — Hamilton Twp. (Mercer) PD

Michael Manning — East Brunswick PD

Kurt Miller — South Amboy PD

Joseph Mitchell — Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office

Christopher Parlow — Montgomery Twp. PD

William Resetar — Toms River Twp. PD

David Reustle — Hammonton PD

Matthew Schmidt — Springfield Twp. PD

Shawn Spina — Lacey Twp. PD

Richard Thomas — Asbury Park PD

Maurizio Toto — Hillsborough Twp. PD

Kevin Williams — Brielle PD

TSS Level II

Douglas Centrone — Hazlet Twp. PD

Adam Fulmore — Somerville PD

Matthew Golembieski — Monmouth Beach PD

Paul Newman — Moorestown PD

Jesse Hoydis — Manchester Twp. PD

The Accreditation Commission for Traffic Accident Reconstruction

ACTAR accreditation represents the internationally recognized professional standard for traffic accident reconstruction, demonstrating verified competency, ethical compliance, and advanced expertise in crash investigation and analysis.

Apply for Accreditation

Officer Down Memorial Page Reminder

The Officer Down Memorial Page honors law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice. NJPTOA encourages all members to remember our fallen heroes and reinforce the importance of officer safety every day.

Officer Down Memorial Page

Summer Traffic. Shared Roads. Stay Focused.

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