



**DDS**  
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT  
OF DRIVER SERVICES

# PRI Summer Conference

**State of Georgia  
DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program**

**Presented by  
Georgia Department of Driver Services  
Regulatory Compliance Division**

June 16, 2016

# Goals and Objectives

## **Goal(s)/ Description of Course:**

This session is designed to provide attendees with an update on recent or upcoming DDS events.

## **Learning Objective(s):**

- Verbalize and define at least one DDS update that directly impacts the attendee.
- Describe the role DDS plays with respect to the Risk Reduction Program in Georgia.
- Identify at least one recent or upcoming legislative change that will affect DDS operations.

# TOPICS



- **Regulatory Compliance Division**
- **Agency Updates**
- **Rule Amendments**
- **Legislation**
- **Group Exercise**



# Regulatory Compliance

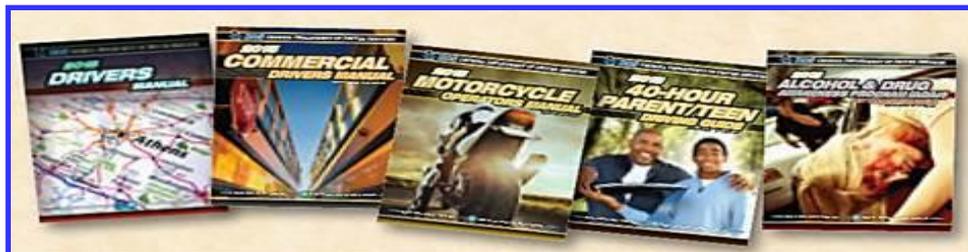
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# Regulatory Compliance

## Mission:

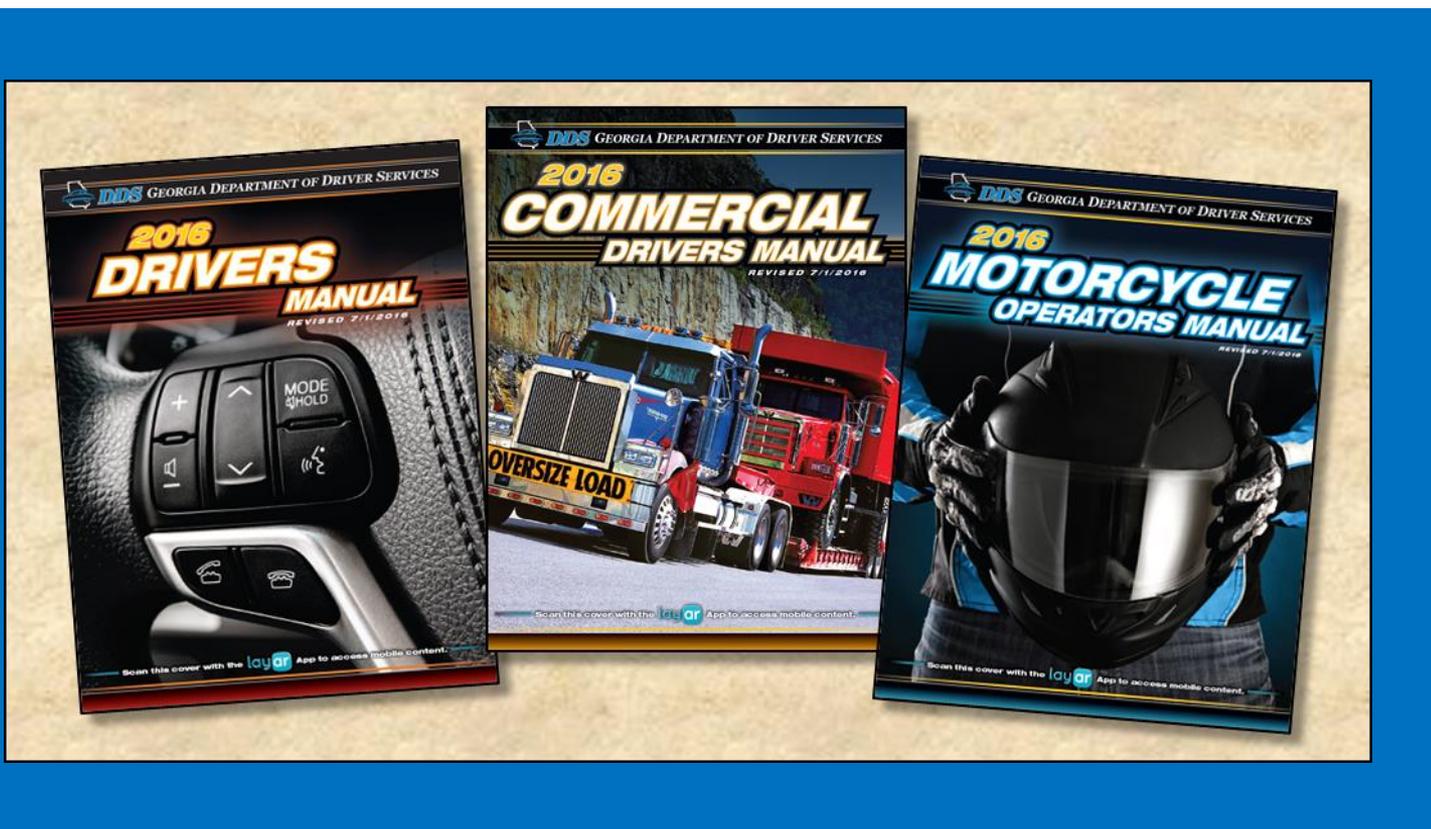
The Regulatory Compliance Division of the GA DDS will positively impact the public's safety by facilitating the education of Georgia Drivers. The Division will provide regulatory and support services for all state-certified driver safety programs in a professional, customer-focused, and timely manner.

- CDL
- Motorcycle Safety
- DUI
- Ignition Interlock
- Driver Training
- Third Party Testing
- Driver Improvement
- For Hire Endorsement
- ADAP
- Records Management
- Medical Unit
- Regulate 968 schools/ providers
- 8,156 certification applications processed
- 2,557 Audits conducted
- 76 Regulated Training Events
- 787 Motorcycle Courses Taught (263 state/524)
- 6,571 Motorcycle Safety Students
- Processed 217,448 paper citations
- Processed 158,084 FTA and ALS suspensions
- Processed approximately 1500 Medical Cases
- 51 Community Outreach Events
- Responsible for 5 agency publications
- 78 FTEs and 60 Part-timers



# Regulatory Compliance

## 2016 Manuals





# Agency Updates Kecia Bivins



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# Agency Updates



- Ignition Interlock Forms
  - Important Ignition Interlock Offender Information
  - Comprehensive Ignition Interlock Monitoring Report

**IMPORTANT IGNITION INTERLOCK OFFENDER INFORMATION**

Georgia law (O.C.G.A. §42-8-111) requires an Ignition Interlock Device (IID) for DUI offenders who have been sentenced to or serve DDJs within a 3 year period. Individuals charged with or convicted of other offenses may also be required to complete an Ignition Interlock Program at the discretion of the court or as a condition of probation.

There are 3 tiers for Georgia Ignition Interlock Programs that are set as follows: Payment to Department of Driver Services (DDS) Rule 375.3-6, the fee for installation is up to \$75, monthly monitoring is a fee up to \$75, and removal is a fee up to \$75. Providers, however, may charge additional fees for services unrelated to compliance with the offender (i.e. month payment, insurance, more etc.). If financial hardship exists, the offender may petition the monitoring court for a Financial Hardship Waiver. If the waiver is granted, the offender must undergo a 12 month hard suspension, then the offender is eligible for a non-interlock limited driving permit for the balance of the 18 months.

Pursuant to HB407 (effective 7/1/13), offenders must undergo a 120 day hard suspension during which time they should successfully complete DUI school and get a clinical evaluation. Offenders must submit to DDS a certificate of completion from a certified Drug or Alcohol Use Risk Reduction Program and one of the following:

- Proof of enrollment in clinical treatment that will satisfy O.C.G.A. §40-6-3.1, ODH Certificates of Treatment Completion for Alcohol Violators that will satisfy O.C.G.A. §40-6-3.1.
- A certificate of eligibility for an Ignition Interlock Limited Driving Permit from a drug court program.

Offenders are then eligible for an Ignition Interlock Limited Driving Permit. The fee for the permit is \$25 and the term is 18 months. The period of compliance with O.C.G.A. §42-8-111 does not begin until DDS has issued the Ignition Interlock Limited Driving Permit in accordance with O.C.G.A. §42-8-111 and the offender will not receive credit toward the period of compliance with O.C.G.A. §42-8-111 for any time the Ignition Interlock Device was installed on the vehicle prior to such date.

The amount of time the offender must keep the device installed on their vehicle depends on their arrest date:

- Arrests prior to January 1, 2013 = 8 months of monitoring.
- Arrests between January 1, 2013 and June 30, 2013 = 8 months of monitoring.
- Arrests on or after July 1, 2013 = 12 months of monitoring.

Offenders must have their device calibrated and monitored every 90 days. After the 8, or 12 month program, the Ignition Interlock Provider will issue a Comprehensive Ignition Interlock Monitoring Report. The offender is responsible for submitting this report to DDS when reinstating an IID Limited Driving Permit that is restricted to allow the holder to drive solely for the following purposes:

- Going to the holder's place of employment.
- For the purpose of employment.
- Going for work related purposes.
- Attending a college or school at which he or she is regularly enrolled as a student.
- Attending regularly scheduled sessions or meetings of treatment support organizations for persons who have substance or abuse problems related to alcohol or other drugs, which organizations are recognized by the commissioner.
- Going for monthly monitoring visits with the permit holder's ignition interlock device service provider.

**COMPLETION OF THE IGNITION INTERLOCK PROGRAM**

The Comprehensive Ignition Interlock Monitoring Report must be submitted by the offender to the DDS when applying for reinstatement of driving privileges. After the offender obtains the specified monitoring report, they become eligible for a non-ignition interlock Limited Permit with fewer driving restrictions for the balance of their 18 month suspension.

Once the offender has met all of the Ignition Interlock requirements, including having the IID installed and holding the IID Limited Driving Permit for the required period of time, and has not been convicted, DDS will issue an IID Device Removal Authorization Form (IDP-1314V). This form must then be taken to the IID Provider Center to have the device removed from the vehicle.

If the offender has temporal (circumvented) with the ignition interlock device or failed to report for monitoring, the Provider may have the offender's Limited Driving Permit revoked by submitting a Notice of Ignition Interlock Offender Non-Compliance (IC-10-22) to the DDS. If the offender has their IID limited permit revoked, they have an appeal right and must pay a \$250 filing fee if they would like to Request a Hearing (see Office of State Administration Hearing (OSA))

If there are any questions regarding limited driving permits, reinstatement or other questions pertaining to ignition interlock program, please call the DDS Contact Center at 877-413-8486 or 404-734-2764.

I have read the above information, or the provider has read to me. I have received a copy of this form. I have executed a Lease Agreement with the Provider and received a copy of such agreement. I agree to adhere to the monitoring schedule as set by the IID Provider. I further understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that the IID is required and that I am eligible to have it installed.

Signature of Client \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Provider Representative \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Comprehensive Ignition Interlock Monitoring Report**

**PROVIDER INFORMATION**

Provider Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 DDS Certification # \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFENDER INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Driver's License # \_\_\_\_\_ Original Limited Permit Issue Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**VEHICLE INFORMATION**

Vehicle Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_  
 Vehicle Tag # \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ VIN \_\_\_\_\_

**DEVICE INFORMATION**

Device Model # \_\_\_\_\_ Device Serial # \_\_\_\_\_ Date Installed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Device Model # \_\_\_\_\_ Device Serial # \_\_\_\_\_ Date Installed \_\_\_\_\_

**MONITORING DATES**

Monitoring Date _____	Monitoring Date _____
Monitoring Date _____	Monitoring Date _____
Monitoring Date _____	Monitoring Date _____
Monitoring Date _____	Monitoring Date _____
Monitoring Date _____	Monitoring Date _____
Monitoring Date _____	Monitoring Date _____

**COMMENTS**

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Provider Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that all of the information above is accurate and complete.

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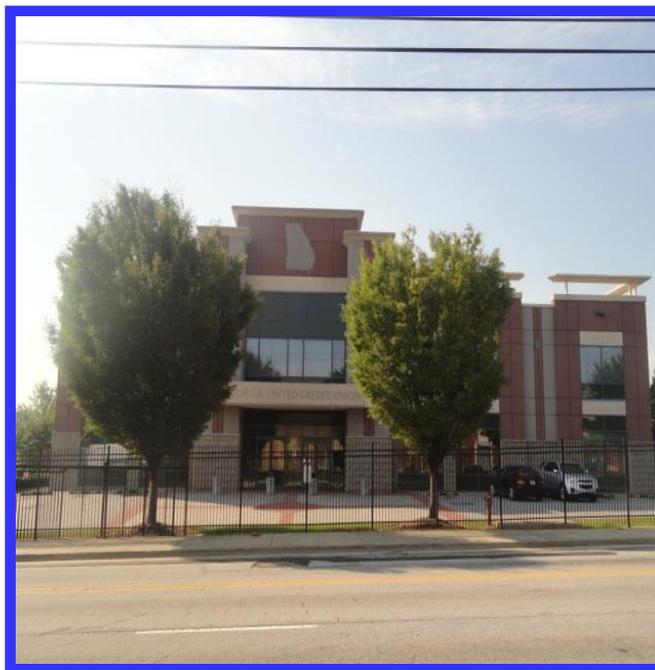
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# Agency Updates

- Facilities

- Fulton County
  - Atlanta
  - Sandy Springs
- Paulding County
  - Dallas
- Fayette County
  - Fayetteville
- Newton County
  - Covington
- Floyd County
  - Rome

## Atlanta CSC



## Agency Updates

### The Online Knowledge Testing Application Project

- Will allow High Schools and Third Party Testers opportunities to administer Knowledge Exam on behalf of Department
- Will waive DDS \$10 testing/ licensing fee for students
- Will improve customer service by expanding testing locations
- Will reduce customer wait times
- Will increase # of customers served by TMs per hour
- Delayed implementation date: late 2017

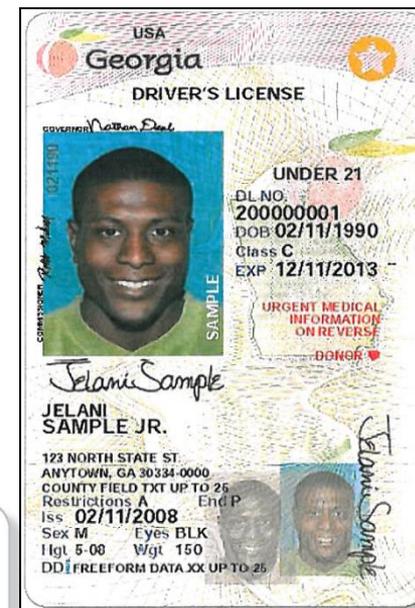
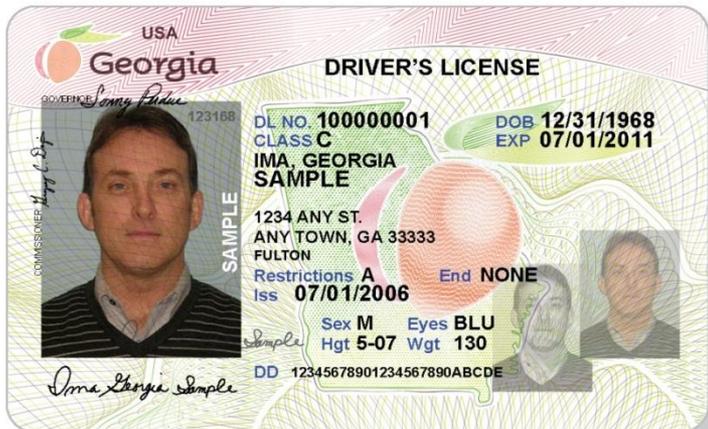


# Agency Updates



## Driver's License and Main Frame Modernization Project

- New DL Issuance System: 2017
- Modernizes Mainframe: 2019
- Partnering with GA Department of Revenue



# Agency Updates



**SKIP A STEP!** For Better Service @ [www.dds.ga.gov/](http://www.dds.ga.gov/)

**Fill out your form.  
Anytime. Anywhere. Any device.**

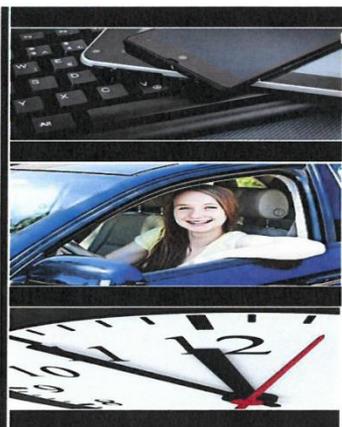
Our **SKIP A STEP** service allows you to fill out the form for your Driver's License, Permit or ID card before visiting any of our Customer Service Centers.

**SKIP A STEP NOW >>**



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Please remember to bring your parent or guardian and proof of school attendance when you come in for your visit.



Save a trip! **Upgrade your license** @ [www.dds.ga.gov/](http://www.dds.ga.gov/)

**Upgrade your  
Class D License to a  
Class C License using  
Online Services.**

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## **SAVE TIME!** **USE DDS ONLINE SERVICES** **@ [WWW.DDS.GA.GOV](http://WWW.DDS.GA.GOV)**

### CARD SERVICES

- Submit Proof of Residency and/or Social Security
- Address Change
- License/ID Renewal or Replacement
- Class D to C Upgrade
- CDL Self-Certification Medical Documents
- License Status
- Suspension or Reinstatement Information

### PAY FEES

- Super Speeder
- License Reinstatement
- Pending Suspensions

### OTHER SERVICES

- Online For-Hire Endorsement Application
- Skip a Step! (Complete Form Online)
- Driving History (MVR)
- Motorcycle Safety Training
- Reservation Status

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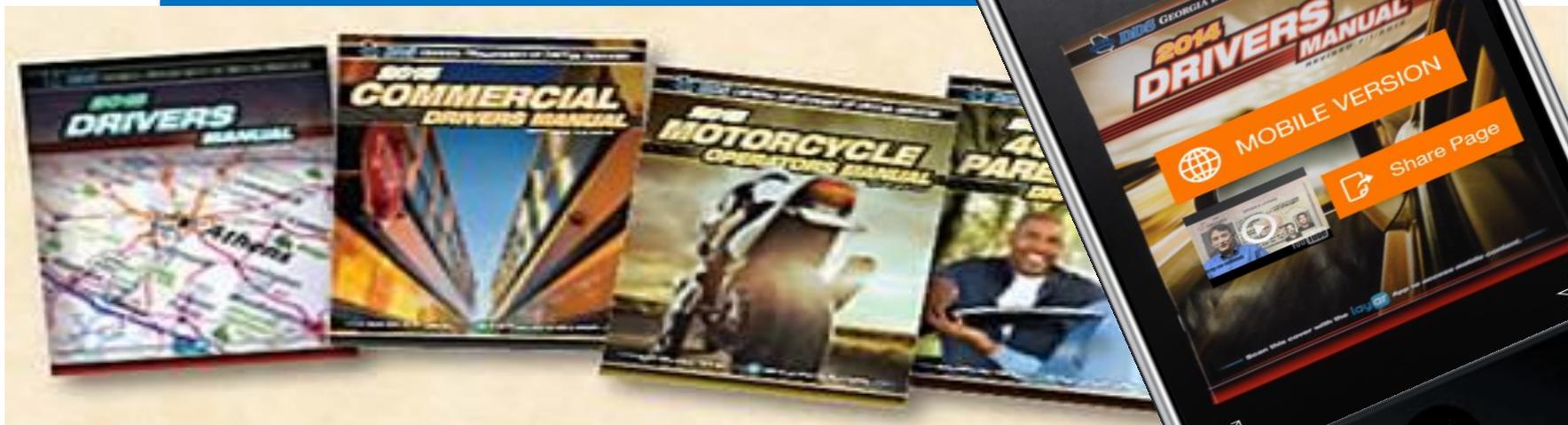
## ➤ Motor Vehicle Network



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## ➤ Manuals



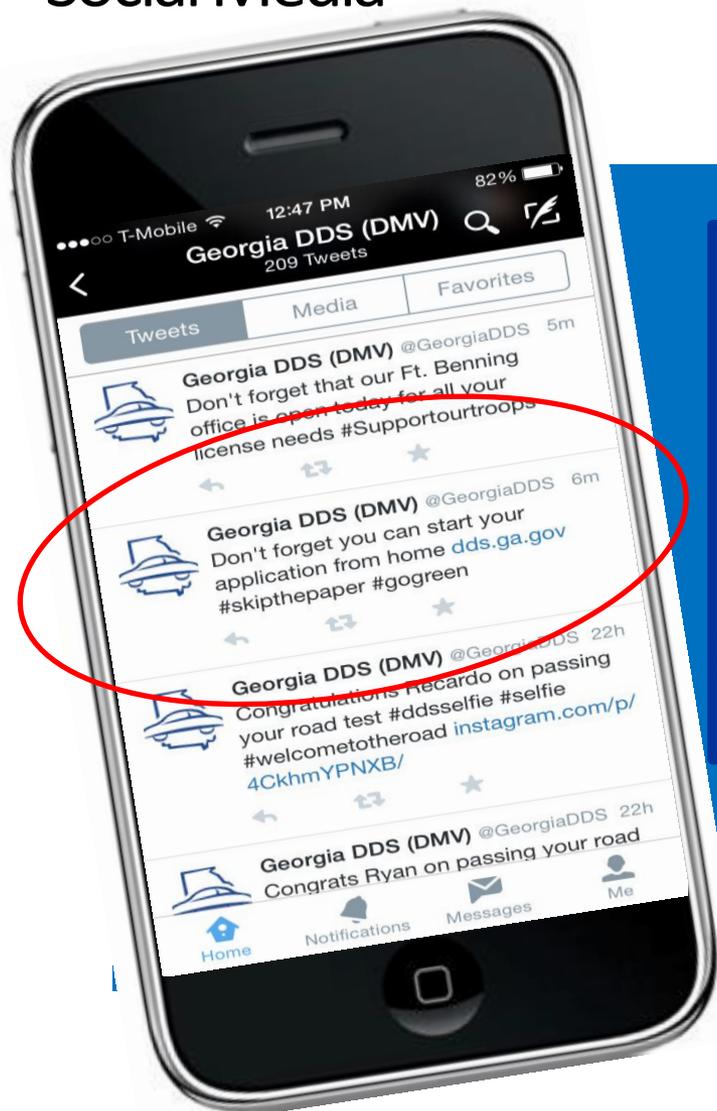
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# Agency Updates

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# Rule Amendments

## Tommy Grant



# Rule Amendments

- **375-3-1-.31 Satisfaction of School Requirements for Customers Under Age Eighteen (18)** (1) Any customer under age eighteen (18) who is applying for a driver's license or instructional permit shall provide satisfactory documentation of his or her enrollment in school. Documents that will satisfy this requirement include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - (a) Form DS-1, Certificate of School Enrollment
  - (b) Transcript provided by the customer's most recent school of attendance.
- (2) Customers under age eighteen (18) who are schooled at home may satisfy the school requirements of O.C.G.A. §40-5-22 by supplying a Certificate of Enrollment from the Georgia Department of Education or a Declaration of Intent To Utilize a Home Study Program filed with the Georgia Department of Education. **Effective 10-05-15**

# Rule Amendments

## ➤ 375-5-2-.18. Insurance and Safety Requirements

- (1) Every vehicle used by a school for the purpose of driver training must be registered with the Department, and a Vehicle Registration Card, issued by the Department, must be displayed conspicuously inside the vehicle at all times.
  - (a) Vehicles used for actual behind the wheel instruction shall be twelve (12) years old or less or have a mileage limit of 300,000, whichever comes first.
  - (b) Vehicles used for multiple vehicle driving range instruction or for other purposes shall be thirteen (13) years old or less or have a mileage limit of 325,000, whichever comes first. The Vehicle Registration Card issued for such vehicles shall be marked clearly with the statement "Multiple Vehicle Range Use Only." Such vehicles shall not be used for actual behind the wheel instruction.
  - (c) Vehicles already registered with the Department prior to July 1, 2010 may continue to be used for twelve (12) or thirteen (13) years as provided in Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection. Vehicles registered with the Department on or after July 1, 2010 may be used for the periods set forth in Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection.
  - (d) Any vehicle used for driver training in any manner shall be equipped with operational safety belts.
- (2) (a) Any vehicle purchased for use in driver instruction shall be inspected by the Department prior to use. In lieu of initially inspecting any vehicle bought as "new" from a licensed dealer and having less than 10,000 miles recorded on the odometer, the Department may accept a certification from said dealer that the vehicle satisfies the Department's inspection standards. **Effective 02-08-16**

# Rule Amendments

- 375-5-5-.03. **For-Hire Endorsement Requirements:** Before any person may be issued a For-hire license endorsement to operate a motor vehicle for the purpose of transporting of passengers in the State of Georgia for compensation or donation as a limousine carrier, ride share network or driver, or taxi service, an application shall be made in writing to the Department, on a form prescribed and furnished by the Department.
    - (2) The application shall include the following minimum information:
      - (a) The applicant's name, address, phone number, date of birth and driver's license number.
      - (b) Applicant must complete information for background investigation and sign authorization form.
      - (c) Proof of Automobile Liability Insurance coverage:
  - Limousine Carriers:
    - 1) For capacity of 12 passengers or less-
      - -\$300,000 bodily injury to or death of all persons per accident
      - -\$100,000 bodily injury to or death of one person
      - -\$50,000 property damage
    - 2) For capacity of more than 12 passengers-
      - -\$500,000 bodily injury to or death of all persons per accident
      - -\$100,000 bodily injury to or death of one person
      - -\$50,000 property damage
  - Taxi Services:
    - -\$50,000 bodily injury to or death of all persons per accident
    - -\$25,000 bodily injury to or death of one person
    - -\$25,000 property damage
  - Ride Share Services:
    - -\$1,000,000 for death, personal injury, and property damage per accident
    - -\$1,000,000 uninsured or under insured motorist per accident
- (d) Submit a non-refundable application fee in the amount of \$15.00.
- (e) Provide a letter from a For-hire company showing proof of employment/affiliation. **Effective 5-18-16**

# Rule Amendments

➤ **1-1-08 Written / Skills Test (CDL)**

Upon the first and all subsequent failures, the applicant must wait two (2) calendar days before retaking the examination.

**Effective 07-05-16**



# Legislative Update

## Mike Mitchell



## 2015-2016 Regular Session

- During the 2015-16 Regular Session, DDS actively tracked a total of 90 bills in the House and 33 in the Senate.

## Two Bills that did NOT pass

- SB 6, which would have required DDS to produce a new driving privilege card for non-citizens on deferred action status.
- SR 675, which would have allowed the voters to decide whether English should constitutionally be recognized as the official language of Georgia.



# HB 54

- Allows customers applying for or renewing a driver's license or ID card to make a voluntarily contribution (\$1, \$5, or \$10) to fund scholarships for college students who have had a parent employed in public safety permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty.
- Signed May 3, 2016.
- Effective January 1, 2017.



# HB 166

- Raises legal limit of motorcycle handle bar height from 15 inches to 25 inches.
- Signed April 26, 2016.
- Effective July 1, 2016.



# HB 205

- Among other things, creates an ignition interlock option for persons whose license is subject to a an administrative suspension for driving under the influence.
- Current administrative license suspension process remains in place. Persons opting for the ignition interlock are required to waive their right to an administrative hearing.
- Signed April 26, 2016.
- Effective date is July 1, 2017.



# HB 767

- Expands the current move-over law to include stationary utility service vehicles.
- Signed April 19, 2016
- Effective July 1, 2016.



# HB 777

- Allows school bus drivers to use a cell phone in a manner similar to a two-way radio.
- Drivers must adhere to standards set forth in O.C.G.A. §40-6-241.2 regarding use of wireless telecommunications' devices:
  - Cannot hold device.
  - Single button push.
  - Cannot reach for device.
- Signed April 26, 2016.
- Effective July 1, 2016.



**No Call, No Text, No Ticket**

New Rules For CMV Drivers About Hand-Held Mobile Devices

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has published new rules that restrict texting and the use of hand-held mobile phones by truck and bus drivers while operating a commercial motor vehicle (CMV).

It's very easy to comply with the new rules:

- No REACHING
- No HOLDING
- No DIALING
- No TEXTING
- No READING

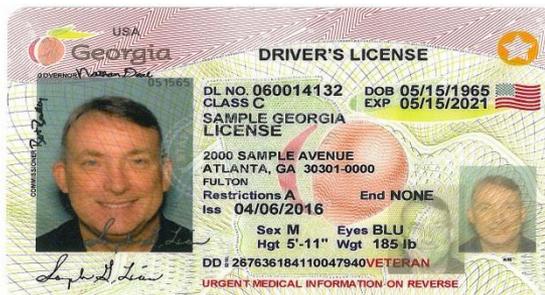
**Bottom Line:** Using a hand held device while driving is a serious traffic violation that could result in a driver disqualification.

**No Call, No Text, No Ticket!**

www.fmcsa.dot.gov

# HB 806

- Makes the standard term of DL's, CDL's, and ID's 8 years.
- DOES NOT apply to limited term DL's, CDL's, and ID's issued to non-citizens with lawful status. Terms of these limited term cards will continue to coincide with the expiration date of customer's immigration documents, maximum 5 years (\$20).
- DOES NOT apply to CDL's with hazardous materials endorsements. Terms of these cards will continue to coincide with expiration date of TSA threat assessment (\$20).



## HB 806 (cont'd)

- Creates a statute of limitations on imposing suspensions for convictions reported  $\geq 2$  years after disposition date.
- Is predicated on surrender of DL  $\geq 2$  years and no reissuance.
- Extends sunset of GDEC to June 30, 2019.
- Signed May 3, 2016.
- Effective upon signature, except for statute of limitations on suspensions (January 1, 2017).

# SB 367

- Among other things, adds two new types of accountability courts – operating under the influence (OUI) courts and family treatment courts.
- Authorizes DDS to reinstate, *instanter*, controlled substance suspensions imposed prior to July 1, 2015.
- Signed April 27, 2016.
- Effective date is July 1, 2016.



# SB 320

- Eliminates the statutory requirement for an International Driving Permit if a foreign driver's license is printed in any language other than English.
- In lieu thereof, an officer may request to see a passport or visa if there is question about the validity of a foreign license, if available.



## SB 320 (cont'd)

- Applicants seeking a for-hire endorsement no longer required to submit proof of motor vehicle insurance to DDS.
- Gives DDS the authority to revoke the certification of a DUI or driver improvement school if the owner is convicted of a second misdemeanor offense of offering free snacks, meals, beverages, or gift cards to students.
- Signed May 3, 2016.
- Effective January 1, 2017.



# General Assembly's Website

[www.legis.state.ga.us](http://www.legis.state.ga.us)

# Group Exercise

## DUI and Driver Improvement Gratuities

- History
- Interpretation
- Feedback and Suggestions
  - 1) Gratuity vs Customer Service Distinction: Meals/Gift cards vs Ink pens, Coffee, Water, Candy
  - 2) Other Considerations: Rides Home, Offender Supplied Meals
  - 3) Non-Compliance Severity Level: Severe, Moderate, Low
  - 4) Adverse Actions: Administrative Fines, Suspensions

## Agency Contact Information



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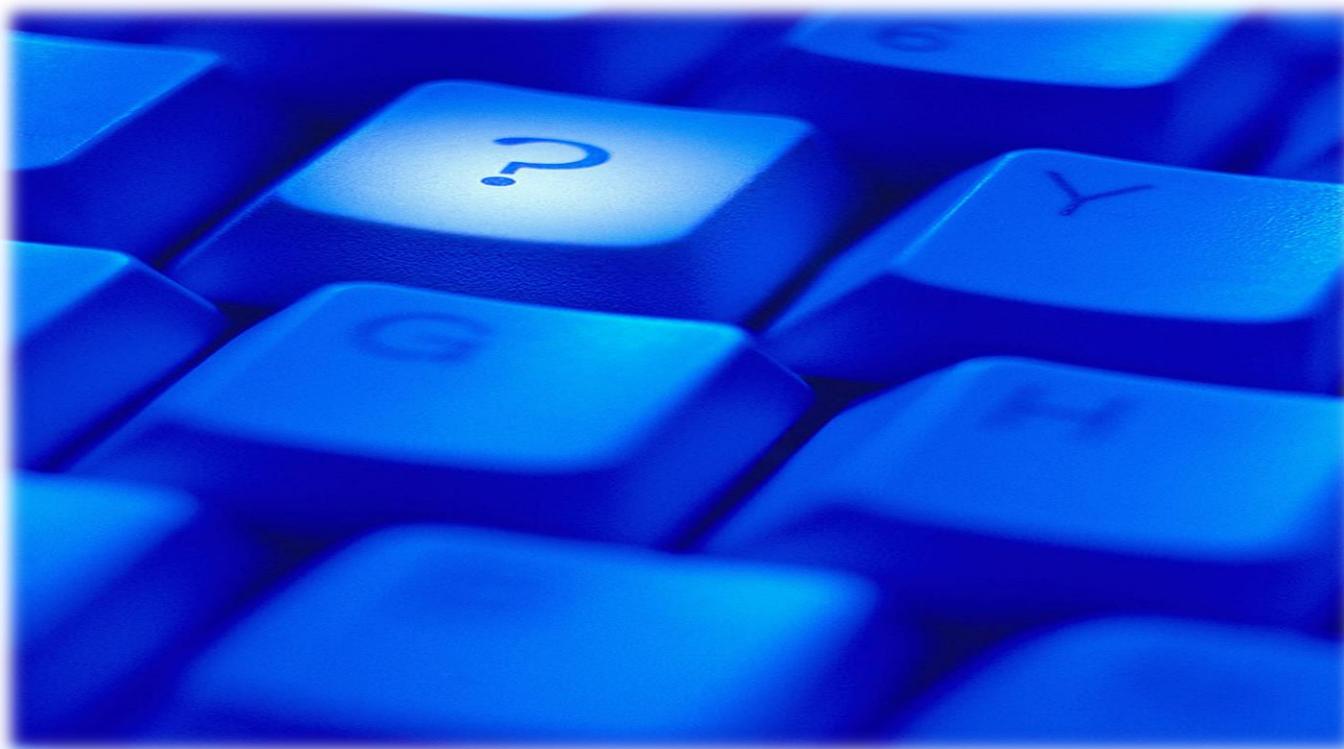
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# Questions





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