

NORTH CAROLINA

Department of Transportation

Division 14

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Memorial Day Click It or Ticket



Whether you're driving or riding, always wear your seatbelt. It's proven to save lives.

The Governor's Highway Safety Program is running its statewide Memorial Day Click It or Ticket campaign from May 18 through June 1.

Law enforcement will increase patrols across all 100 counties to ensure everyone is properly buckled up.

Stay safe! Memorial Day is approaching, and the GHSP and its partners will be watching out for you.

Litter Sweep Wrap Up

The department's Spring Litter Sweep just concluded, with 434,235 pounds of litter collected from North Carolina's roadsides.

With over 80,000 miles of state-maintained roads, we need everyone's help to keep our highways clean.

Visit our Litter Sweep <u>webpage</u> to learn about how you can get involved moving forward!





Youth, Motorcycle & Bicycle Safety Campaigns

May is National Youth Traffic Safety Month, Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and National Bicycle Safety Month.

In North Carolina, motorcycles make up just 2% of registered vehicles but account for nearly 10% of road fatalities. Proper training, wearing helmets, and following traffic laws greatly reduce the risk of crashes.

Drivers should stay alert, watch for motorcycles and bicycles, and always share the road.

NCDOT offers a variety of <u>safety resources</u> to help protect all users of the statemaintained road system.

News Near You

Division 14 Employees Gather for Conference Competition

CLYDE – Winners emerged from competition, and safety procedures were reviewed during the annual Division 14 Equipment Operators Safety Conference in early May at the NCDOT Haywood County Maintenance Yard.

More than 100 employees gathered over two days — one day of drizzle and one day of sun — for lessons and a review of safety procedures for equipment NCDOT employees use daily to maintain and repair roads in the 10 westernmost counties of North Carolina.

"We are very fortunate to have so many skilled employees who have shined throughout their careers and especially over the last seven months," Division Engineer Wesley Grindstaff said. "This event is important to reinforce our standard safety procedures that help our employees protect the traveling public."



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