



NORTH CAROLINA

Department of Transportation

Division 13

COUNTIES SERVED | Buncombe, Burke, Madison, McDowell,
Mitchell, Rutherford, Yancey

May 2019 Edition

It's Motorcycle, Bicycle and Seat Belt Safety Awareness Month



With warmer weather here, it's a good time for some reminders about how to keep yourself and others safe while on the road.

Seat Belt Safety Awareness Month: In 2018, 41% of automobile fatalities in North Carolina were drivers or passengers who were not wearing their seat belt. Buckling up can save your life and your passenger's. [Read more.](#)

Motorcycle Safety Month: [BikeSafeNC](#) offers tips on pre-ride safety checks, riding with a passenger, recommended safety gear and more. They also host free [Rider Skill Days](#), providing instruction and advice to help make a motorcyclist's experience safer and more enjoyable.

Bicycle Safety Month: You can stay safe while biking by wearing a helmet and reflective clothing, riding single file in the direction of traffic and using hand signals when turning. As a motorist, learn how to help keep pedestrians and cyclists safe at [Watch For Me NC](#).

Happening Near You...

Speed Limit Reduced in I-40 Work Zone

The NCDOT and State Highway Patrol have agreed to a speed limit reduction for a five-mile section of Interstate 40 in Burke County that includes two active work zones.

[Learn more about the change](#)

Marshall Driver License Office Moves to Temporary Location

The NCDMV opened a temporary driver license office in the Madison County town of Marshall on April 30. The temporary office will serve customers until a permanent location can be determined.

[Learn more about the office](#)



Carolina Connector Facility to Benefit all of NC

Officials recently broke ground on a new intermodal facility (trucks/trains) in Rocky Mount that will provide jobs, spur economic development, and make shipping less expensive across the state.

[Learn More](#)



Do you Know How to Navigate a Roundabout?

The department is building more roundabouts to better improve safety and travel flow, more so than with traditional intersections.

[And they are easy to learn how to use!](#)

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