

Unified Regulatory Plan of the Department of Motor Vehicles for State Fiscal Year 2024

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Agency Description

The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is responsible for the administration of the motor vehicle license, registration and title laws; the issuance, suspension, and revocation of driver's licenses; the examination of applicants for and holders of driver's licenses; the administration, training, disciplining, and assignment of examiners of applicants for driver's licenses; the administration of the safety responsibility laws, fuel tax laws, the provisions of Title 46.2 relating to transportation safety and dealer licensing laws; the registration of carriers of passengers or property and vehicles that may be required to be registered under the International Registration Plan or pay road tax as described under Chapter 27 (§ [58.1-2700](#) et seq.) of Title 58.1 under the International Fuel Tax Agreement; the audit of carriers of passengers or property for compliance with registration and road tax requirements; proof of financial responsibility; and any other services that may be required to create a single point of contact for motor carriers operating within and without the Commonwealth, including the operation of permanent and mobile motor carrier service centers. DMV promulgates regulations necessary to carry out the laws administered by the department pursuant to § 46.2-203. DMV operates under the supervision of the Secretary of Transportation.

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2213		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document DMV Visual Field Policy		
Brief Overview Add "(including but not limited to)" to the "High Risk Ophthalmic Conditions" header on page 1. This change will clarify that the list of High Risk Ophthalmic Conditions in the guidance document is not exhaustive.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 6, 2023	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2214		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document DMV Seizure/Blackout Policy		
Brief Overview Change "other" to "or" in the first paragraph under Seizures on page 1. This change will correct a minor typo in the guidance document.		
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Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 6, 2023	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2215		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document DMV Policy for Adaptive Equipment and Certified Driving Rehabilitation Specialist (CDRS) Referrals		
Brief Overview Amend guidance document section regarding minor vehicle modifications that assist individuals in fitting into their vehicle to clarify length of the pedal extender under this section.		
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Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	August 3, 2023	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2210		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Virginia Rider Training Program Training Site License Application		
Brief Overview The document will be revised to account for changes to the motorcycle training program caused by Chapter 361 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly. These changes include removing the sidecar and three-wheeled motorcycle course, adding a three-wheeled motorcycle course, changes to the helmet requirement for motorcycle training courses to allow any lawful motorcycle helmet, and removing the specific motorcycle training course requirements for student-to-instructor ratio, students per range at any one time, and the features of motorcycles used in training. Additionally, DMV has stopped using a contractor to administer certain portions of the motorcycle rider training program and will revise the document to reflect that change.		
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Expected Date	August – September 2023	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2211		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Virginia Motorcycle Rider Training Program, Virginia Rider Training Program Policy and Procedures		
Brief Overview The document will be revised to account for changes to the motorcycle training program caused by Chapter 361 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly. These changes include removing the sidecar and three-wheeled motorcycle course, adding a three-wheeled motorcycle course, and changes to the helmet requirement for motorcycle training courses to allow any lawful motorcycle helmet. Additionally, the document will be revised to include approved and currently available motorcycle rider training curriculum. Finally, DMV has stopped using a contractor to administer certain portions of the motorcycle rider training program and will revise the document to reflect that change.		
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Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2217		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Requirements for being added to the DMV driver rehabilitation specialists listing		
Brief Overview Establish guidance document detailing the requirements for being added to the DMV driver rehabilitation specialists listing.		
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Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	August – October 2023	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2189		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Personalized License Plate Guidelines and Restrictions		
Brief Overview Amend the portion of the Guidelines for Issuing a Personalized License Plate to provide clearer criteria regarding license plates that reference violence.		
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Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Virginia Motor Carrier Manual		
Brief Overview The document will be revised to account for changes resulting from Chapter 242 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly, which cleared up inconsistencies in the financial responsibility requirements that apply to motor carriers transporting property in passenger cars and other smaller vehicles. Specifically, pages 18 and 19 of the guidance document will be updated to reflect the new statutory insurance requirements for property carriers and household goods carriers.		
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document DMV Cognitive Impairment Policy		
Brief Overview DMV anticipates making amendments to this guidance document based on the review and recommendation from the Medical Advisory Board. As the board has not issued its recommendations, DMV is unable to predict the substance of the changes, but anticipates that such changes will be minor in scope.		
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Expected Date	June 2024	

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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document DMV Policy for Drivers Experiencing a Crash Due to a Pedal Application Error		
Brief Overview DMV anticipates making amendments to this guidance document based on the review and recommendation from the Medical Advisory Board. As the board has not issued its recommendations, DMV is unable to predict the substance of the changes, but anticipates that such changes will be minor in scope.		
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document DMV Policy for Drivers with Heart-Assist Devices		
Brief Overview DMV anticipates making amendments to this guidance document based on the review and recommendation from the Medical Advisory Board. As the board has not issued its recommendations, DMV is unable to predict the substance of the changes, but anticipates that such changes will be minor in scope.		
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document DMV Policy for Drivers with Respiratory Conditions Requiring Supplemental Oxygen and/or Sleep Disorders		
Brief Overview DMV anticipates making amendments to this guidance document based on the review and recommendation from the Medical Advisory Board. As the board has not issued its recommendations, DMV is unable to predict the substance of the changes, but anticipates that such changes will be minor in scope.		
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Virginia Medical Waiver Guidance		
Brief Overview DMV anticipates making amendments to this guidance document based on the review and recommendation from the Medical Advisory Board. As the board has not issued its recommendations, DMV is unable to predict the substance of the changes, but anticipates that such changes will be minor in scope.		
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