

# Click It OR Ticket

## Day and Night

### Fact Sheet

#### Seat Belt Mobilization, May 20 – June 2, 2019

The annual **Click It or Ticket Campaign** reminds Texans to buckle up day and night, and every time they get in a vehicle. Buckling up not only protects motorists against expensive citations, it also saves lives.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), and the Texas Department of Public Safety (TxDPS) are again joining forces with police and sheriffs' departments across Texas to save lives on Texas roads by working to increase seat belt use. From May 20 to June 2, law enforcement officers are stepping up their efforts to ticket anyone who isn't wearing a seat belt.

#### Seat Belt Facts

- Texas achieved a 91.34 percent statewide seat belt use rate in 2018. (TxDOT)
- The "Click It or Ticket" initiative in Texas is estimated to have saved 5,856 lives, prevented more than 100,000 serious injuries, and saved more than \$21.7 billion in related economic costs from 2002 to 2018. (NHTSA)
- In 2018, there were 2,623 Texas crashes in which unbuckled people sustained fatal or serious injuries. (TxDOT)
- Last year, of all crashes in which people died, 60 percent occurred at night (6 p.m. - 5:59 a.m.). (TxDOT)
- Wearing a seat belt reduces the risk of dying by 45 percent for people in the front seat of passenger cars. For those in pickups, seat belts reduce the risk of dying by 60 percent since pickups are more likely to roll over than passenger vehicles. (NHTSA)



#### It's the Law: Buckle Up Day and Night in Every Seat.

Texas law requires the driver and all passengers in a vehicle to be secured by a seat belt. Unbuckled drivers and passengers, even those in the back seat, face fines and court costs of up to \$200.

Learn more at [TexasClickItorTicket.com](http://TexasClickItorTicket.com)

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