

Click It OR Ticket

TxDOT

Fact Sheet

Seat Belt Mobilization, May 18 – May 31, 2015

The 14th Annual Click It or Ticket Campaign reminds Texans to buckle up 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 highways by working to increase seat belt use. From May 18 to May 31, law enforcement officers are stepping up their efforts to ticket anyone who isn't wearing a seat belt.

Seat Belt Facts

- Texas is one of 19 states that have achieved at least 90 percent statewide seat belt use rate. (NHTSA)
- The *Click It or Ticket* initiative in Texas saved 4,317 lives and prevented almost 73,000 serious injuries from 2002 to 2014. (NHTSA ESTIMATE)
- In 2014, there were 2,587 reportable motor vehicle crashes in Texas in which unrestrained vehicle occupants sustained fatal or serious injuries. (TxDOT)
- Wearing a seat belt reduces the risk of a fatal injury to people in the front seat of passenger cars by 45 percent. For those in pickups, seat belts reduce the risk of fatal injury by 60 percent since pickups are twice as likely to roll over as passenger vehicles. (NHTSA)



“Tickets may hurt, but crashes kill.”

It's the Law: Buckle Up in the Front and Back Seat

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

Learn more at TexasClickItorTicket.com

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