

# Click It OR Ticket

## Day and Night

### Fact Sheet

#### Seat Belt Mobilization, May 22 – June 4, 2017

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 22 to June 4, law enforcement officers are stepping up their efforts to ticket anyone who isn't wearing a seat belt.

#### Seat Belt Facts

- Texas achieved a 91.6 percent statewide seat belt use rate in 2016. (TxDOT)
- The "Click It or Ticket" initiative in Texas saved 5,068 lives, prevented 86,359 serious injuries, and saved more than \$ 19.3 billion in related economic costs from 2002 to 2016. (NHTSA)
- In 2016, there were 2,580 Texas crashes in which unbuckled people sustained fatal or serious injuries. (TxDOT)
- Last year, of all crashes in which people died and weren't wearing a seat belt, 62 percent occurred at night (6 p.m. - 6 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 twice as likely to roll over as 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 adult drivers and passengers, even those in the back seat, face fines and court costs of up to \$200.

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