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Driver Seatbelt Usage

There have been several collisions where drivers were injured because they were not wearing their seat belt.

Did You Know?

- If a driver is not wearing a seatbelt and crashes into a fixed object or an oncoming vehicle at 30 mph, the driver will continue forward at the same 30 mph speed.
- A driver not wearing a seatbelt, weighing 160 lbs. and going 30 mph, would impact an object with the force of 24,000 lbs. That is similar to the weight of a loaded, full-size school bus.
- A driver's force on the body when restrained in a seatbelt is 80% less than the force when impacting the steering column, windshield, etc. unbelted.
- The seatbelt protection system slows and stops the driver's forward momentum during a collision, helping to prevent injuries and save lives.

It's a safety requirement and you are responsible to:

- Protect yourself and your passengers from injury
- Comply with all federal and state laws regarding the use of seat belts

EXCUSES DON'T SAVE LIVES – ALWAYS BUCKLE UP!