

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NO. 89-8

CONCERNING USE OF SEAT BELTS

GVL 89-213078

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State of Arizona to take all reasonable measures to prevent injuries to employees, damage to property, and to protect the State, its employees, and the public from the results of accidents and improper procedure; and

WHEREAS, the State owns and maintains automobiles for use by its employees while they are engaged in State business; and

WHEREAS, State employees operate their own vehicles while on state business; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle collisions are the leading cause of industrial accidents that result in serious or fatal injuries and high liability costs; and

WHEREAS, six times as many motor vehicle accident victims not wearing seat belts are admitted to the hospital than those patients wearing seat belts; and

WHEREAS, total inpatient charges for unbelted patients was five times greater than for belted patients; and

WHEREAS, the non-use of seat belts by employees and passengers can have serious personal and legal consequences;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor and Chief Executive of the State of Arizona, I hereby order and direct the following actions:

1. A Seat Belt Usage Policy for all state employees is now in effect.
2. Seat belts shall be properly fastened around the lap of all state employees operating a state vehicle while the vehicle is in motion.
3. All passengers in state vehicles shall have lap belts fastened while the vehicles is in motion.
4. State employees who operate their own vehicles while on state business shall have seat belts properly fastened around their lap while their vehicle is in motion.
5. All drivers who are state employees shall be responsible for assuring that all passengers are seated and seat belts properly secured before moving a vehicle.
6. The Department of Administration shall establish necessary policies and procedures to ensure compliance of this Executive Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Rose Mofford

G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this Eleventh day of April in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirteenth.

ATTEST:

Jim Shumway
Secretary of State



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