Be a Responsible Driver —

ensure your vehicle is in safe operating condition and that all of your safety equipment is properly adjusted. Don't let cell phones and other activities distract you from your core mission — driving safely!

Dare to Care!

Drive Sober — don't drive while your ability is impaired by alcohol or drugs. Impaired driving is an indiscriminate killer with no demographic barriers!

For more

"BE SMART— SHARE THE ROAD" tips,

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Be Smart Share the Road with



Motorcycles





Tips for Motorcyclists:

Obey the Speed Limit —

speeding is the number one contributing factor in motor-cycle crashes — SLOW DOWN!

Enroll in Rider Education —

It's all about control.

Whether you are a novice or experienced rider, the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles supports affordable motorcycle training courses for all rider skill levels, which can reduce injuries and save lives!!

Ride Responsibly — personal rider safety starts with YOU!

Before every ride, make sure your machine is in safe operating condition and always wear armored and reflective safety gear including a DOT approved helmet! The bottom line is simple-ride safely for you and your passenger's sake, as well as others on the road!

Ride Conspicuously —

proper lane usage will reduce your chances of being in another driver's blind spot and lesson the probability of being in a crash!! Be aware of your surroundings and always maintain a safety zone.

Ride Sober — don't ride impaired by alcohol or drugs and discourage other riders from making a bad choice. Intervene if you can, it's the right thing to do!

<u>Tips for other motorists</u> <u>concerning motorcyclists:</u>

"Watch for Motorcycles"

Motorcycle Awareness. Be aware of motorcycles sharing our roadways during the spring and summer months. While June is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness month, please be aware of motorcycles throughout the riding season!!

Yield to Motorcycles — don't make a rash decision and turn quickly in front of an on-coming mo-

torcycle, it may be traveling faster than it appears!

Look Twice and Save a

Life — check your mirrors and blind spots for motorcycles before changing lanes. Also, when negotiating busy intersections, look twice for motorcycles before proceeding safely! They have a smaller frontal area and may be hard to see.