
Primary Seat Belt Law — Web-Ready Copy

Fasten Your Seat Belts — Primary Seat Belt Law Effective June 9

Effective June 9, 2009, Minnesota's seat belt law is a primary offense, meaning drivers and passengers in all seating positions must be buckled up or in the correct child restraint. Law enforcement can stop motorists for seat belt violations. A seat belt fine is \$25 plus \$78 in surcharges making the fine a total of \$103 in Hennepin County.

This law is critical to road safety — each year around 200 motorists are killed who are unbelted and more than 400 are seriously injured.

A seat belt is your best defense in a crash — especially when Minnesota roads are threatened with speeding, distracted and impaired drivers.

Seat belt enforcement of this law begins with you — speak up and insist your passengers are buckled up. In a crash, unbelted passengers can slam into and injure or kill others in a vehicle.

Seat Belt Fact Sheets

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