

#TrafficTipTuesday - Passing on the right

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LEONARDTOWN, Md. - In an effort to promote awareness of state traffic laws, the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office posts excerpts of the 2018-2019 edition of The Maryland Vehicle Law Annotated on Tuesdays.

Adhering to the law will make roadways in St. Mary's County and in Maryland safer for drivers, passengers, bicyclists, horse-and-buggy operators and pedestrians.

#TrafficTipTuesdays

Passing on the right:

Passing on the shoulder while another vehicle is making a left turn became legal in Maryland in 2017.

Sec. 21-304 "The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass to the right of another vehicle only:

-If the overtaken vehicle is making or about to make a left turn

-On a highway with unobstructed pavement not occupied by parked vehicles and wide enough for two or more lines of vehicles moving lawfully in the same direction as the overtaking vehicle

-On any one-way roadway, if the roadway is free from obstruction and wide enough for two more lines of moving vehicles."

Further, "the driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle to the right only if it is safe to do so."

A driver may not leave the roadway to pass on the right.

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