

The Wisconsin Responder



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Mike's Minute



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Greetings from the ETO/TIME team!

We are approaching our goal of 60 percent of first responders trained in Wisconsin. As of February 2024, we are at 57.3 percent and growing. We wanted to thank those dedicated volunteer TIM instructors for their commitment to the program and encourage first responder agencies to schedule TIM classes. It's never too late—or too early—to schedule this training in 2024.

The Wisconsin Governor's Conference on Highway Safety presentations are being approved. This year, the WisDOT TIME Team is providing several topics of interest for first responders, including Cable Guard: Wait before you CUT!, Best Practices for Delayed Recoveries, Management of Livestock at Crash Scenes, Lesson Learned—DeSoto Train Derailment, TIM Planning for Major Construction Projects, Who's in Charge?-Establishing a TIM Team, and several other TIM presentations that are being developed. Please consider attending this conference.

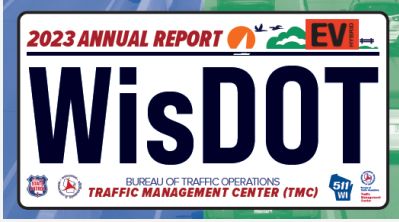
As we move into 2024, I hope the TIM training you receive is being practiced in your agency and with your partner first responder agencies. I cannot encourage you strongly enough that these TIM concepts become part of your standard operating procedure for mitigating traffic crashes safely.

Thank you for continuing to serve...stay safe, *Mike*

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Traffic Management Center (TMC) - 2023 Annual Report



The WisDOT Traffic Management Center issued its [2023 Annual Report](#) on 4/5/2024. It is a visual and comprehensive report packed into seven pages. It is loaded with GREAT information! The TMC is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and communicates regularly with first responders, as well as media outlets and construction project managers.

New EV Hybrid Stickers for First Responder Safety are Ready for Wisconsin License Plates

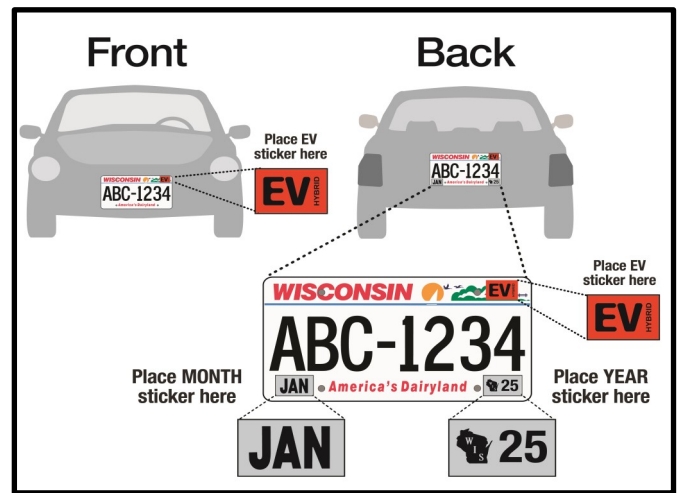


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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will begin sending new EV Hybrid stickers to current owners of electric and hybrid vehicles, as required by recent legislation.

The new law requires that the orange and black “EV Hybrid” stickers be attached to each license plate issued for an electric or hybrid vehicle. Wisconsin had nearly 146,000 electric and hybrid vehicles on the road in 2023.

This [Wisconsin law](#) was passed in 2023 for the safety of first responders when dealing with electric powered vehicles in emergency situations. First responders will be able to quickly identify the vehicle as having electric components by the orange and black “EV Hybrid” sticker.

All current owners of electric or hybrid vehicles with valid registration will automatically be sent their EV Hybrid sticker(s) and should receive their sticker(s) by June. Starting this summer, those who apply for title and registration for a new electric or hybrid vehicle (including those purchased at a dealership) will be provided a sticker(s) with their new plate(s). Anyone who purchases an electric or hybrid vehicle ahead of that time will receive their sticker by mail. There is no need to contact the DMV for EV Hybrid stickers.

Sticker placement

For standard-sized license plates (auto, light truck, etc.): the sticker should be attached to the upper right corner of each plate, just to the RIGHT of the bolt holes.

Wisconsin DMV has streamlined this process for customer ease. More information on all DMV services is available at wisconsindmv.gov.

TIM and Connected and Automated Vehicle Technologies



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At WisDOT, we strive to keep first responders informed on the advancements in connected and automated vehicles and the advanced driver assistance systems that exist in newer vehicles. As we have discussed in the past, the future is here and we are identifying how these changes impact traffic incident management.

We have included links to two documents that were published by the National Cooperative Highway Research Program in 2024. Please take some time to review these documents.

[Impacts of Connected, Automated Vehicle Technologies on Traffic Incident Management Response \(2024\)](#)

[Integrating Traffic Incident Management and Connected, Automated Technology Communities \(2024\)](#)

Thank you, *Brian*

Train-the-Trainer Courses

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) program is once again looking for new Traffic Incident Management (TIM) instructors.

Do you believe the proper application of TIM principles at an incident scene makes all responders safer? Do you believe that TIM principles result in the quicker clearance of an incident? Do you want to teach your fellow responders these valuable tools? Then the TIME program would like you to join their ranks of instructors. The program currently has 143 TIME-trained instructors from every region of the state, but we can always use more – the more diverse the instructor pool, the better the training for the responders.

The requirements for becoming and remaining a TIME program instructor are:

- 1) You must attend the eight-hour FHWA "Train-the-Trainer" instructor program.
- 2) You are asked to teach at least one four-hour responder class annually (to remain current with the material).

All TIM instructors are 100 percent volunteers. The program does not have any funds available to compensate instructors for their time or travel. They're passionate about incident scene safety and want to share their knowledge and experience with fellow responders. We try to have two instructors from different disciplines at each four-hour class, with one having the discipline from the requesting agency.

Train-the-Trainer courses will be held on the following dates:

Saturday, May 11, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the **Vilas County Courthouse, located at 330 Court Street, Eagle River, WI 54521.** Please submit an [application](#) to attend the training by April 29, 2024.

Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the **Traffic Management Center, located at 433 W. St. Paul Avenue, Suite 300, Milwaukee, WI 53203.** Please submit an [application](#) to attend the training by October 14, 2024.

The training is free, and the TIME program will provide lunch and all teaching materials. Please consider becoming a TIM instructor. It can be very rewarding!



2024 Spring Regional TIME Meeting Schedule

Construction Projects * Connected and Automated Vehicle Workgroup Updates *
Review of Traffic Crashes * Specialized Training Topics

				
NWR Counties	NCR Counties	NER Counties	SWR Counties	SER Counties
<p>Douglas, Bayfield, Ashland, Burnett, Washburn, Sawyer, Polk, Barron, Rusk, St. Croix, Dunn, Chippewa, Taylor, Pepin, Eau Claire, Clark, Buffalo, Trempealeau, Jackson & Pierce</p>	<p>Iron, Vilas, Florence, Price, Oneida, Forest, Lincoln, Langlade, Marathon, Shawano, Menominee, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Adams, Waushara, Marquette & Green Lake</p>	<p>Marinette, Oconto, Door, Outagamie, Brown, Kewaunee, Winnebago, Calumet, Manitowoc, Sheboygan & Fond du Lac</p>	<p>La Crosse, Monroe, Juneau, Vernon, Richland, Sauk, Columbia, Dodge, Crawford, Grant, Iowa, Dane, Jefferson, Lafayette, Green & Rock</p>	<p>Washington, Ozaukee, Waukesha, Milwaukee, Walworth, Racine & Kenosha</p>
<p>Southwest Region: April 24, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</p>				
<p>Southeast Region: April 25, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</p>				
<p>Northeast Region: April 30, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</p>				
<p>North Central Region: April 30, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.</p>				
<p>Northwest Region: May 9, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</p>				

The meeting agendas will be sent out a week before each meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting in your region, please feel free to join another region’s TIME meeting.

We look forward to your participation!

SPECIAL EVENTS AND CONFERENCES



April 2024

- Distracted Driving Awareness Month
- Tornado & Severe Weather Awareness Week (4/8-4/12)
- National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week (4/14-4/20)
- National Work Zone Awareness Week (4/17-4/21)

May 2024

- APWA Wisconsin Chapter Conference (5/1-5/3)
- WIPSCOM Conference (5/12-5/15)
- Emergency Medical Services Week (5/19-5/25)

June 2024

- National Safety Month
- Wisconsin County Highway Association Conference (6/3-6/5)
- Wisconsin State Fire Chief's Association Conference (6/20-6/23)
- Wisconsin Towing Association Conference (6/21-6/23)
- Rail Safety Week (6/24-6/30)

July 2024

No events or conferences

August 2024

- Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Conference (8/11-8/14)
- Governor's Conference on Highway Safety (8/19-8/21)
- Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over National Mobilization (8/16-9/2)

September 2024

- National Preparedness Month
- Towing Industry Awareness Week (TBD)
- Child Passenger Safety Week (9/15-9/21)
- Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Conference (9/26-9/28)

October 2024

- Wisconsin Towns Association Conference (10/6-10/8)
- National Move Over Day (10/19)

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