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New Motor Driven Cycle Laws Take Effect Jan. 1, 2015

INDIANAPOLIS – Don Snemis, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), is reminding Hoosiers that there will be new laws regarding Motor Driven Cycles (MDC), commonly referred to as mopeds or scooters, beginning Jan. 1, 2015.

“We want Hoosiers to be as prepared as possible before these new laws are implemented at the beginning of the year,” said Snemis. “On myBMV.com, [we have an informational video](#) and an [FAQ page](#) that helps explain many aspects of the law and things drivers need to know before coming into a branch.”

The video and FAQ page includes information on the two difference classes of MDCs, how to register an MDC, licensing and endorsements, what MDC plates will look like, and general MDC rules of the road.

Because BMV branches will be closed on Jan. 1, 2015 due to the New Year holiday, customers may begin registering their MDCs on Jan. 2.

Indiana State Police are limiting enforcement of the new law to warnings throughout the month of January to allow drivers time to get credentialed and properly register their MDCs without receiving a citation. Effective Feb. 1, 2015, however, the issuance of a warning or traffic citation will be at the discretion of the trooper. It is important to remember that other police agencies across Indiana may enforce the law to the fullest extent anytime after Jan. 1, 2015. The BMV encourages anyone who intends to operate their MDC this winter to register their MDC and obtain proper credentials as soon as possible after Jan. 1 to avoid the possibility of receiving an expensive traffic ticket.

For more information on the new MDC laws, please view our informational video and FAQ page at <http://www.in.gov/bmv/3220.htm>.

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