

Purpose:

Promote highway safety among Maryland's law enforcement, and provide a mechanism for camaraderie, acknowledgement, and recognition.

The program motivates law enforcement to achieve advance levels of training and proficiency through experience, training, education, and involvement in highway safety. MARYLAND TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PRESENTS...

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In 2008, Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions (MPCTC) administered the program.

Restructured in 2017 with a new focus by the Maryland Highway Safety Office (MHSO)

Launched renovated program in June 2018



Maryland's Traffic Safety Specialist (TSS) program is administered by the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration Highway Safety Office (MHSO), as part of Maryland's Strategic Highway Safety Plan, and is a collaborative effort of the Maryland Chief's of Police Association, Maryland Sheriff's Association, and MHSO.











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Many police officers, deputy sheriffs and state troopers from Maryland and Federal law enforcement agencies are currently enrolled in the TSS Program. The program is administered by the Maryland Highway Safety Office Law Enforcement Liaison Section and is overseen by an Executive Committee composed of representatives from partnering agencies.



Current Enrollment

Lifetime Total (2008 – 2021)

Designation Level I – 831 Designation Level II – 37 Designation Level III – 2

Total since June 2018

Designation I – 342 Designation II – 21 Designation III - 0

Eligibility Criteria



- 1. Employed by a Maryland Law Enforcement agency or a Law Enforcement agency operated by the Federal Government that performs police duties in Maryland.
- 2. Must have a current Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commission (MPCTC) certification (except for Federal LE).
- 3. Complete an appropriate electronic Traffic Safety Specialist Designation Level Form.
- 4. Submit documentations for traffic safety related requirements.
- 5. Submit the Traffic Safety Specialist Supervisor Verification Form.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TSSIEnrollmentForm

Program Specifications



Three Designations are found within the Traffic Safety Specialist program.

TSS - I TSS - II TSS - III

Each successive designation requires increasing levels of experience, training, job performance, and skill proficiency as a traffic enforcement officer.



Traffic Safety Specialist I Requirements



- Two years or more of independent patrol / traffic experience
- Speed Detection Device Certification
- SFST Certification
- Advance Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement Training (ARIDE)
 - Online course is <u>not</u> accepted for this requirement
- Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Training
 - Online course is accepted for this requirement







Traffic Safety Specialist II Requirements

- Completed the TSS I requirements
- Three (3) years or more of independent patrol / traffic experience
- Participated in at least two (2) High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) Traffic Safety Campaigns
- Attended MHSO's Leading Effective Traffic Enforcement Programs (LETEP) Training.
- Participated in at three (3) out of the five (5) trainings
 - DUI Institute
 - DRE Training
 - Advanced Crash Reconstruction Investigator Training
 - Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Training
 - Instructor Certification from MPCTC
- Participated in one (1) out of the two (2) requirements
 - Attend at least three (3) SHSP Emphasis Area Team meetings
 - Two (2) or more Traffic Safety Awards from MHSO DUI,
 - DRE, SPEED, or Washington Regional Alcohol Program DUI

Traffic Safety Specialist III Requirements



- Completed the TSS I and TSS II requirements
- Five (5) years or more of independent patrol / traffic experience
- Refer three (3) new law enforcement officers to the Traffic Safety Specialist Designation Level I
- Submit a Traffic Safety Project Proposal and obtain approval from the TSS Executive Committee for a Traffic Safety Project
- Complete, submit, and present the Traffic Safety Project to the Executive Committee for final review



https://www.trafficsafetyspecialistmd.com

Recognition

A special awards luncheon is hosted each year for officers who have completed a Traffic Safety Specialist designation. The recipient is invited, along with the agency head, and one guest to attend the luncheon.

Each recipient is recognized for their efforts in promoting safety on Maryland's roads. At the luncheon, recipients will receive a TSS certificate and uniform pin. The TSS designations can be used in Maryland courts to endorse your leadership, experience, training and knowledge in highway safety.





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