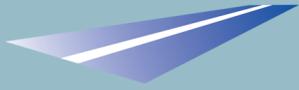


PRIMARY SEAT BELT ORDINANCE

Missouri Coalition
for **Roadway Safety**



What is a primary seat belt law?

A primary seat belt law allows officers to stop motorists who are not wearing a seat belt, without the need for additional law violations.

How can a municipality have a primary seat belt law, when the state does not?

Local ordinances can be more restrictive than state law, but not less restrictive. Any questions about the legality of a local primary seat belt ordinance should be referred to your city attorney.

Get in Touch

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HOW TO GET STARTED

- ✓ **Form a Team**
Form a group of advocates who want to pass a primary seat belt ordinance.
- ✓ **Gather and Receive Data**
Reach out to your local Regional Coalition Representative to receive data to present and a sample seat belt ordinance to provide to the City Council to adopt.
- ✓ **Contact Local Law Enforcement**
Discuss passing a seat belt ordinance with local law enforcement to gain their support.
- ✓ **Pass Primary Ordinance**
Set up a meeting with the City Administrator or Mayor to get their approval on adopting a primary seat belt ordinance.
- ✓ **Sign Installation**
Once officially passed as a city ordinance, contact your local Regional Coalition Representative to coordinate sign installation.