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Now Through Labor Day Weekend: Move Over & Save a Life... or Get a Ticket
E-470 Partners with Colorado State Patrol to Increase Enforcement of Move Over Law

AURORA, CO – After several close calls involving E-470's [Roadside Assistance](#) team while they were providing people with emergency services along the tollway, the E-470 Public Highway Authority is partnering with the Colorado State Patrol to increase enforcement along E-470 of the "Move Over" law **beginning today through Monday, September 6**. According to the Colorado State Patrol, drivers are oftentimes more compliant with the law when they see red and blue lights for police, fire, and emergency medical services but forget about other service workers, such as Roadside Assistance, who utilize amber lights.

Oftentimes, E-470's Roadside Assistance team is the first on scene after a crash or incident. They provide valuable help for the safety of those involved, as well as the safety of other passing drivers. Last year, they responded to 11,000 service calls and incidents on E-470. Nationally, 46 emergency responders were struck and killed in the line of duty in 2020 according to [respondersafety.com](#).

"Whether it's an emergency, tow, or maintenance vehicle, drivers need to be aware of people on the shoulders of the roadway and make sure they slow down and move over," said Colonel Matthew C. Packard, Chief of the Colorado State Patrol. "All 50 States have 'Slow Down, Move Over' laws for good reason. Lives are at stake if you fail to give workers the space they need to perform their duties safely."

Under Colorado law, drivers must move over to the next lane, if they can safely do so, when approaching emergency, tow, maintenance, or public utility vehicles stopped on the roadway with flashing lights. Failure to do so could result in a \$167 citation and three points against a driver's license. On E-470, drivers who cannot move over safely for a Roadside Assistance vehicle must immediately slow down by 20 MPH or more (at least to 55 MPH).

About E-470 Roadside Assistance

To advocate for the safety of E-470 customers, Roadside Assistance provides help and services to drivers across the 47-mile tollway, free of charge. Their goal is to arrive within 20 minutes of receiving a call, unless detained by an emergency. The team assists with first response efforts as well as helping drivers along E-470 with flat tires, oil refills, jumpstarts, cell phone service, fuel/fluid refills, traffic control, and removing debris/hazards from the roadway. They're available to help 24 hours a day, seven days a week. For more information, please visit [e-470.com](#).

About the Colorado State Patrol

Since its origin in 1935, the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) has focused on preserving human life and protecting property within our communities. Its 1,100 members embody the core values of Honor, Duty, and Respect in their daily jobs. In addition to expertise in motor vehicle safety on the state's roadways, the CSP is responsible for the Governor and other dignitaries' protection, commercial motor vehicle enforcement, hazardous materials, homeland security, communications, investigative services, criminal interdiction, community education, aviation operations, and more. For additional information, visit [Colorado State Patrol](#) online or follow them on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), YouTube, or [Facebook](#).

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