

UNECE/NHTSA Workshop on Governance of the Safety of Automated Vehicles

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Overview

- American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) at a glance
- Highly Automated Vehicles and AAMVA member collaboration

- U.S. Model State Policy
- It's all about the Driver but who is that?



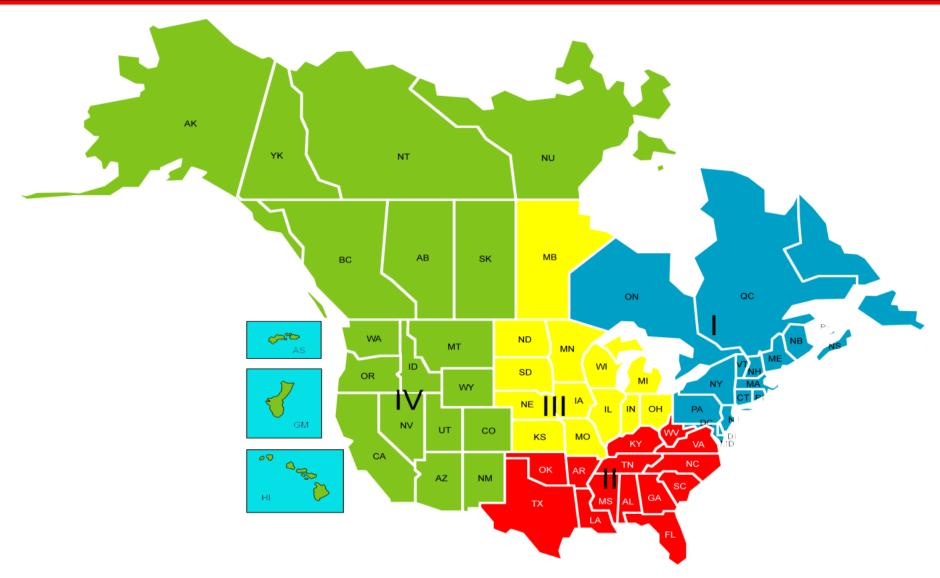
AAMVA Mission and Vision



- Founded in 1933
- Uniformity and reciprocity across North America
 - Collaboration, exchange of best practices
 - Network through meetings, conferences and IT systems

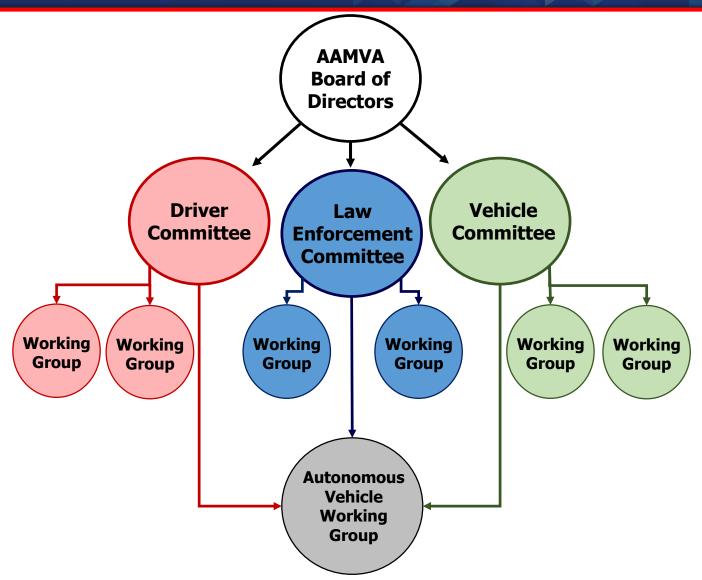


AAMVA Community





Governance & Standing Committee Structure





AAMVA - Automated Vehicle Initiatives

1. Autonomous Vehicle Information Sharing Group and Library

2. Autonomous Vehicle Working Group.



AV Information Sharing Group

- Established in December 2013.
- Monthly calls to review state laws, studies, stakeholder view and other relevant material.
- Started with about 20 people participating and has grown to 60 to 80 people. Representing jurisdictions, federal government and industry partners.

AV Information Library on AAMVA's website: http://www.aamva.org/Autonomous-Vehicle-Information-Library/



Autonomous Vehicle Working Group

- 16 jurisdictional members, NHTSA and AAMVA staff
- NHTSA funded project for first 2 years

Three sub-groups focusing on issues impacting:

- Drivers: Licensing & Testing
- Vehicles: Titling & Registration
- Law Enforcement: Concerns & Challenges







Autonomous Vehicle Working Group

- 1. Provided significant input for the NHTSA Model State Policy
- Published September 20, 2016

2. Concurrent with the Model State Policy development, the Working Group will complete *Guidelines for the Regulation of Highly Automated Vehicles*, a final piece of its work in support of the Model State Policy. Anticipated December 2017 or January 2018



Federal Automated Vehicles Policy

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September 2016

Published September 2016 and can be found at www.transportation.gov/AV

Section 1 – Vehicle Performance
Guidance for Automated Vehicles
(outlines best practices for safe predeployment development and testing prior to commercial sale; sets USDOT expectations of industry).

The Guidance includes a 15-Point Safety
Assessment to set clear expectations for
manufacturers developing and deploying
automated vehicle technologies.







Federal Automated Vehicles Policy



Section 2 – Model State Policy

Recognizes states' sovereignty while encouraging a consistent national framework rather than a patchwork of inconsistent laws. References partnership with AAMVA.

- ✓ Federal Responsibilities
- ✓ State Responsibilities
- ✓ The Model State Policy



U.S. Federal Role

- Federal responsibilities include:
- Setting safety standards for new motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment; Enforcing compliance with the safety standards;
- Investigating and managing the recall and remedy of noncompliances and safety-related motor vehicle defects on a nationwide basis;
- Communicating with and educating the public about motor vehicle safety issues; and
- When necessary, issuing guidance to achieve national safety goals.



U.S. – State Role

- State responsibilities include:
- Licensing (human) drivers and registering motor vehicles in their jurisdictions;
- Enacting and enforcing traffic laws and regulations;
- Conducting safety inspections, when States choose to do so; and
- Regulating motor vehicle insurance and liability.



Model State Framework - elements

Model framework - covers 10 areas:

- 1. Administrative Cross-Divisional
- 2. Application by manufacturers or other entities to test HAVs on public roads
- 3. Jurisdictional permission to test
- 4. Testing by the manufacturer or other entities



Model State Framework - elements

- 5. Drivers of deployed vehicles
- Registration and titling of deployed vehicles
- 7. Law enforcement considerations
- 8. Liability and insurance
- 9. NHTSA's Enforcement Authority
- 10.Next Steps more input; additional updates



Driver – Transition Years

- Experienced Drivers how and when will they learn to use the new technology and understand it limitations
- New Drivers how will they be tested to handle Level 1 vehicles if appear in level 2 and newer
- MyCarDoesWhat.org



My Car Does What?





Driver - looking ahead

 At what point and for what vehicles will a license no longer be required?

Need to consider the roles of driver vs operator vs occupant

- Rules of the Road/Traffic laws under review
 - Transportation Research Board (National Academies)
 - Uniform Law Commission



Conclusion

 Iterative consideration how best to enable deployment of innovative (potentially life-saving) technologies with current public safety demands

 Develop and sustain collaborative effort among government officials, stakeholders and industry



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