



# MARION COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR NEWSLETTER

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## New CDL Testing Requirements

If you are a current CDL holder and you are upgrading or adding an endorsement that requires a skills exam (Passenger and School Bus), you will now be required to retake the CDL General Knowledge exam.

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?

If you are upgrading from a Class B to a Class A, you will now be required to retake the CDL General Knowledge exam.



If you previously held a CDL and downgraded to a Class E driver license but would like to go back to a CDL, you may be required to retest depending on the length of time you have not had a CDL.

If you currently hold a Class A or B license and would like to add either a Passenger or School Bus endorsement, you will be required to retake the CDL General Knowledge exam at the same time you take the endorsement exam.

There are no additional fees for the retest, provided you pass the CDL General Knowledge exam the first time. If you fail the exam, you will be charged for each attempt.



Florida law requires you to **Move Over** a lane—when you can safely do so—for stopped law enforcement, emergency, sanitation, utility service vehicles and tow trucks or wreckers.

- If you can't move over—or when on a two-lane road—slow to a speed that is 20 mph less than the posted speed limit.
- Slow down to 5 mph when the posted speed limit is 20 mph or less.

When you fail to Move Over, you put yourself and others at risk; you could crash into a vehicle or worker.

## Florida Insurance Requirements for Registration

Proof of Insurance from a certified Florida agent or broker is required to purchase and renew a license plate in Florida. The vehicle owner must present to the Tax Collector documentation of Personal Injury Protection (PIP) in the amount of at least \$10,000 and Property Damage Liability (PDL) insurance in the amount of \$10,000. Motorcycles, vessels, mobile homes and trailers are exempt from insurance requirement for registration.

As per Florida Administrative Code, Rule 15A-3.006, a Florida insurance card is acceptable only if it contains the following information:

- Company Name
- Florida Company Number
- Indicate Type of Coverage (PIP, PDL and/or BIL)
- Effective Dates of Coverage
- Name of the Insured
- Vehicle Year, Make and VIN Number
- Verbiage indicating that the card is not valid more than one year from effective date
- Warning of violation of Section 316.646, FS

For more information, please visit our website at [www.mariontax.com](http://www.mariontax.com) or contact our Call Center at 352-368-8200.



**Thank you to all who came out and supported our  
8th Annual Tax Collector Car Show!  
Our event was a huge success thanks to YOU!**

**Our office donated \$5000 to Interfaith Emergency  
Services, as well as donations to the Semesco  
Foundation, Stop Children's Cancer, and The Centers.**



**We look forward to seeing you again next year!**



Thank you to all who came out and made the  
1st Annual Marion County Government Day  
such a success!

It was our pleasure to participate and  
represent our Office. We enjoyed the  
opportunity to get the word out about all the  
fantastic services we provide.

# Save the Date

# UPCOMING EVENTS★

Our annual Crape Myrtle Sale is scheduled for June 23, 2018 from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM in the parking lot of the Tax Collector's Office. Many varieties are available with colors of white, pink, red, and lavender. The plants will be a one gallon pot at \$3.50 each. Pre-orders are recommended beginning June 1.

All proceeds from the sale will benefit the food pantry of Interfaith. Please contact Louann DeSantis directly at 352-368-8245 or our Call Center at 352-368-8200 for an order form. Completed order forms can be e-mailed to [mctc.charities@mariontax.com](mailto:mctc.charities@mariontax.com).



# BUNCO



Rollin' for Charities will have a Bunco game on September 7, 2018. All proceeds benefit Food 4 Kids, the backpack program of Interfaith Emergency Services. Contact Louann DeSantis for ticket information at 352-368-8245.

Food 4 Kids was created in 2004 when it came to the attention of school teachers that many children were not being fed over the weekend. To date the donations collected for this program reach 35 schools here in Marion County and provide backpacks to over 1,650 kids. For more information on this great cause, please visit [www.iesmarion.org](http://www.iesmarion.org).