



Dear Michigan Motorcyclist:

I am pleased to present the latest edition of the Michigan Motorcycle Operator Manual. It has been updated with the latest training information and materials from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, including a new section on three-wheel motorcycles.

The Department of State Michigan Motorcycle Safety Program provides residents with the resources they need to become safe, responsible motorcycle operators. We have 29 training providers that offer 60 training sites and 160 Rider Coaches across Michigan. This year the department is adding more training motorcycles and conducting refresher courses for our Rider Coaches so that their instruction is the most up-to-date possible. We are also introducing an Advanced Rider Course in metro Detroit for those wishing to refresh their riding skills.

With warmer weather, more and more motorcycles will be part of the traffic mix on our roads and highways. As a motorcyclist myself, I understand the enjoyment of riding. However, it's important to remember that operating a motorcycle is a responsibility that requires putting safety first. That means being prepared to ride, wearing the proper gear, obtaining an endorsement if you don't have one, riding defensively and never driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Michigan is a beautiful state that offers a lot of opportunities to motorcyclists – make sure you ride safe and share the road. Enjoy!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ruth A. Johnson".

Ruth Johnson
Secretary of State