

OFM News:

It's already September!!! Fall is here. The children have gone back to school. Thanksgiving will be here before you know it. With the change of season it is a great time to do some annual maintenance that aren't necessarily specific to winter driving, but it's a good point on the calendar to get around to doing this stuff read more at [Fall Into Car Maintenance](#)

Ohio Law Bans Texting While Driving

Governor Kasich signed House Bill 99 on June 1, 2012, which prohibits a person who is less than 18 years of age from using in any manner, an electronic wireless communications device while driving and prohibits texting while driving. This bill is effective August 31, 2012. Read the entire law at [ODPS | BMV | Ohio Texting Ban](#)

SOT Information:

The SOT Rhodes Tower motor pool fax no. is 614.466.3546.

Website Changes:

Fleet Webpage Gets a Facelift!! This month, the DAS website will be upgraded and its look modified to meet with new design specifications. This means that the Fleet website will also take on a new look. However don't worry, all the information and forms that you have come to rely upon will continue to be found in the same place as they have always been. The site will remain at the same address and the basic layout of the information will also remain the same. So maneuvering through the site and finding the information you need is as easy as always.

Safety Belts Save Lives

COLUMBUS - There is simply no disputing that wearing a safety belt can save your life. That is why the Ohio State Highway Patrol is encouraging all motorists to buckle-up. In 2011, nearly 65 percent of the people killed on Ohio's roadways were not wearing a safety belt. During the first eight months of 2012, safety belt citations by Ohio troopers are up 16 percent compared to the same time period last year. Read more at [Patrol Reminds Us](#)

Supplier Updates:

U.S. Bank Announces Voyager Card Enhancements:

U.S. Bank Fleet Solutions is pleased to add an enhancement to Fleet Commander™ *Online*; the Override Authorization Limit feature now has expanded search capability. Read more at [Fleet Commander Updates 09.20.12](#)

Mark Your Calendar:

Upcoming Training: Thursday, October 25, 2012 - Fleet Ohio Data Entry Level Training will be held from 12:30 p.m., – 4:00 p.m., Birch Conference Room, 4200 Surface Road, Columbus, Ohio. Pre-registration is required—please complete training request form on OFM website at [Training Request Form](#). Additional training opportunities may be found on our website.

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