



DMV during COVID

What is the latest news from the DMV about online services and expired licenses and vehicle registration?

The coronavirus has impacted many of the services we are used to accessing in person, including the DMV. Starting today, a host of online services are available at DMV2U, enabling Oregonians to handle more of their DMV business from home. **Now customers can:**

- Schedule a DMV appointment
- Replace a lost, mutilated or stolen license/ID card
- Upload a commercial driver medical examiner certificate
- Order a driving record
- Pay a reinstatement fee
- Begin a driver license or identification card application for an initial issuance

See all the services DMV offers online at www.oregondmv.com/dmv2u.

If a service can be accomplished by mail or online, DMV is requiring customers to use those avenues at this time. Find information and instructions for how to complete common transactions like titling and registering a vehicle in Oregon at www.OregonDMV.com. DMV does not charge any service fees for online forms or use of their online services. Please make sure you are on the official Oregon DMV webpage.

Grace period in effect to Oct. 1:

A law enforcement grace period on expired licenses

and vehicle registration is in effect at least through Oct. 1. The grace period is intended to allow Oregon residents to continue driving while waiting for an appointment or allow some people to delay visiting DMV while it works through the backlog due to COVID-19 restrictions. Law enforcement can verify the status of a driver or vehicle electronically during a traffic stop.

The DMV in Cave Junction, located at 103 S Kerby Ave, is open by appointment only for limited transactions until further notice by calling 541-839-4449. The hours of operation are Mondays and Tuesdays 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Wednesdays 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Thursdays and Fridays 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Closed for Lunch: 12:30 - 2 p.m.)

All mail transactions should be sent to DMV Headquarters (i.e., not to this office), 1905 Lana Ave NE Salem, OR 97314.

Notes:

- The lobby will be closed during all drive test appointments. Other customers will need to wait outside during the drive test so please dress appropriately for the weather.
- This facility may be closed temporarily at other times when business, illness or training requires the limited staff to be away from the office.
- Wait times are not available online for this office.
- DMV offices are closed for Statewide Holidays.

McConnell eyes virus aid as evictions, benefits cuts loom

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WASHINGTON (AP) — An eviction moratorium is lifting. Extra unemployment benefits are ending. Parents are being called to work, but schools are struggling to reopen for fall as the COVID-19 crisis shows no signs of easing.

With Congress bracing for the next coronavirus aid package, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell is outlining Republican priorities as earlier programs designed to ease Americans through the pandemic and economic fallout begin to expire. He is eyeing \$1 trillion in new aid.

“This is not over,” McConnell said during a visit to a food pantry Monday in Louisville, Kentucky.

The GOP leader’s next virus aid package is centered on liability protections, a top priority for Republicans seeking to shield doctors, schools, businesses and others from coronavirus-related lawsuits brought by patrons claiming injuries during reopenings.

McConnell is also considering a fresh round of direct payments targeted at those earning \$40,000 a year or less. He wants the liability shield to run for five years, retroactive to December 2019.

“Liability reform, kids in school, jobs and health care,” he said visiting his home state. “That’s where the focus, it seems to me, ought to be.”

Democrats have proposed a far more ambitious aid approach in the \$3 trillion House-passed coronavirus rescue

package, setting the outlines of a robust debate over how best to help Americans as COVID-19 cases surge in hot spots nationwide, threatening public health and economic livelihoods.

Congress is away for a two-week recess, but the contours of the debate are taking shape before lawmakers resume

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GOP Senate Majority leader.

session July 20. Deadlines for many programs expire by the end of the month.

The earlier rounds of aid, including the sweeping \$2 trillion coronavirus aid package approved in March, was the biggest in U.S. history. And while it was approved almost unanimously, it is now dividing the parties. Many Republicans view the outlay as excessive, and they want to avoid another round of big-ticket spending. Democrats argue that more aid is needed, and their bill includes new worker health and safety protocols to ensure a safe reopening.

While the two sides share many common goals in boosting public health research toward treatments and a vaccine, the difference in the economic aid to Americans is stark.

For example, Republicans mostly oppose the \$600 weekly boost to unemployment benefits, arguing it’s a disincentive to work because some employees earn more by staying home than they would on the job. Democrats say it’s a lifeline for struggling Americans trying to make ends meet.

Democrats also provide more money in their bill to prevent evictions: \$100 billion in rental assistance and \$75 billion for homeowners paying mortgages. The \$2 trillion coronavirus aid package’s 120-day eviction moratorium, launched March 27, expires at the end of July. The Democrats’ bill would extend it through March 2021.

Democrats are wary of the liability protections being proposed by Republicans. Instead, their bill includes other priorities, such as funding to shore up the struggling U.S. Postal Service, which they see as another lifeline for Americans, and to provide \$50 monthly stipends toward broadband services for households with laid-off or furloughed workers to stay connected online.

One area of common ground that has emerged in recent weeks is that both parties believe in the importance of wearing masks in public to help limit the virus spread as more shops and businesses reopen and Americans leave their homes.

McConnell told people in Kentucky that it’s the single-most important thing they can do.

“It’s ain’t confusing,” McConnell said Monday at a hospital in Bradford. “Put on a mask.”



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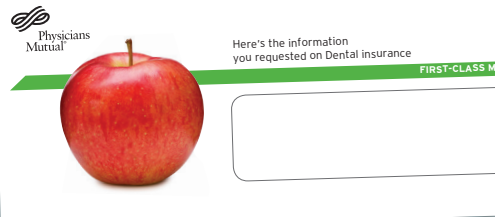
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