

Department of Transportation
Bureau of Highway Development
Administrative Rules for Administrative Rules for Highway Motorist Services Areas and other MDOT
Facilities.
Rule Set 2025-30 TP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Wednesday, October 22, 2025
12:00 PM

Virtual Room

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The Department of Transportation will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Administrative Rules for Highway Motorist Services Areas and other MDOT Facilities. rule set.

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is proposing new administrative rules on properties it maintains throughout the state. The proposed rules would apply to all 61 highway rest areas, 82 roadside parks, 267 carpool lots, 23 scenic turnouts and 14 welcome centers. The proposed rules prohibit long-term parking, camping, dumping, blocking access, loitering, alcohol and destruction of state property. They include a maximum 48-hour stay, guidelines for service animals, requirements for proper parking and group permits, and limitations on commercial activities.

The proposed administrative rules outline misdemeanor penalties for violations. MDOT highway rest areas, roadside parks, scenic turnouts, welcome centers and carpool lots are intended for short-term use, and the proposed administrative rules do provide are expected to improve safety and maintenance without duplicating existing laws.

By authority conferred on the department of transportation by section 9 of 1964 PA 286, MCL 247.809

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at www.michigan.gov/ARD and in the 10/1/2025 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: MDOT-PublicComments@michigan.gov.

Comments on these proposed rules may be made at the hearing, by mail, or by electronic mail at the following addresses until 11/20/2025 at 11:59PM.

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The public hearing will be conducted in compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. If the hearing is held at a physical location, the building will be accessible with handicap parking available. Anyone needing assistance to take part in the hearing due to disability may call 517-241-7462 to make arrangements.