

MEDIA RELEASE

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RTIA reaches out to communities through AARTO Mobile Office Roadshow

The Road Traffic Infringement Agency's (RTIA), in partnership with Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport, City of Johannesburg, City of Tshwane and Eskom, brings the AARTO services closer to the motorists. The community engagement initiative is part of the Agency's preparations for the imminent national implementation of Administrative Adjudication of Road Traffic Offences (AARTO) Act.

Prior to commencement of the roll-out, the RTIA is expected not only to prepare the public for such full-scale implementation through various awareness programmes but also to have its operational structures in place in order to sustain such service delivery interactions. In this regard, the Agency has the responsibility to educate and inform all road users on their AARTO rights and responsibilities in managing their traffic fines.

As the country is fully aware, the soaring road fatalities statistics on our roads due to lawlessness and negative driver behaviour are of a great concern. Our effort is to ensure that as the RTIA we intensify positive driver behaviour education and awareness programmes. Our ultimate aim is to ensure that motorists obey the rules of the road and our roads are safer.

The services that are rendered at AARTO Mobile office include providing answers to public queries on infringement notices, administering the representation process and providing information to create public awareness on the AARTO Act. The motorists are able to submit elective options forms, and while waiting to be serviced educational video will be screened in the waiting area for clients. Motorists also get to be fully informed about any of the other AARTO options and services.

The AARTO mobile offices are visiting the Driving Licence Testing Centres (DLTCs) and shopping malls in various municipalities across the country to undertake AARTO public awareness. The first stops are in the following areas;

DATE	TIME	PLACE	STAKEHOLDER
26 July 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Edenvale Driving Licence Testing Centre	Gauteng, City of Ekurhuleni
02 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Watloo Registering	Gauteng, City of Tshwane

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07 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Mabopane Registering Authority	Gauteng, City of Tshwane
09 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Edenvale Driving Licence Testing Centre	Gauteng, City of Ekurhuleni
14 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Krugersdorp Registering Authority	Gauteng, Mogale City
16 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Maponya Registering Authority	Gauteng, City of Johannesburg
21 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Meyerton Registering Authority	Gauteng, Sedibeng Municipality
23 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Wadeville Registering Authority	Gauteng, Ekurhuleni Municipality
28 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Akasia Registering Authority	Gauteng, City of Tshwane
29 August 2019	09:00 : 18:00	Medupi Power Station	Limpopo, Eskom, Lephalale and Limpopo Provincial Roads and Transport
30 August 2019	09:00 : 14:00	Langlaagte Registering Authority	Gauteng, City of Johannesburg

Under the AARTO Act, motorists have the following five (5) elective options to exercise.

- Pay the infringement within 32 days and receive 50% discount;
- Make a representation to dispute a traffic infringement;
- Nominate a driver;
- Arrange to pay for infringements in instalments; or
- Elect to be tried in court.

The RTIA continues to call upon motorists to timeously take advantage of these AARTO options in order to avoid any inconvenience that might be caused by the blocking of the renewal of their driving documents.

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