1. Alcohol impairs a driver’s ability to drive.
2. Pay attention when traveling through work zones.
3. The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration builds and maintains non-toll roads throughout the State.
4. The orange color on warning signs alerts motorists to highway construction/maintenance zones ahead.
5. A maximum fine of $1,000 may be levied on drivers exceeding the posted speed in a highway work zone.
6. A driver’s license is a privilege, not a right.
7. Maryland SafeZones is Automated Speed Enforcement in work zones to improve safety for motorists and workers.
8. When you are behind the wheel, you are responsible for your safety and that of others around you.
9. Road crews wear safety equipment, including hard hats and vests as protection and to alert motorists of their presence.
10. More vehicles on the highways may result in increased congestion.
11. The work zone is the highway worker’s office.
12. Drums, cones and barriers are temporary traffic control devices used in work zones.
13. Don’t change lanes or pass in highway work zones.
14. There are two types of highway work zones: stationary and mobile.
15. April is National Work Zone Safety Awareness Month.
16. Other important traffic control devices are traffic signals, pavement markings, arrow panels and changeable message signs.
17. Always drive with caution through a work zone like you or someone you know works there.
18. Texting while driving is an example of distracted driving.
19. Work zone safety is everyone’s responsibility. Stay alert when driving through a work zone.
20. Safety is no accident!
22. An asphalt roller is just one piece of equipment you might see in a work zone.
23. Drivers can call 511 or visit www.md511.org for live traffic updates regarding lane closures and incidents.
24. Traffic patterns can often change in work zones. Pay attention to signage and be prepared to stop.
25. Nationally, four out of every five work zone fatalities involve motorists and their passengers.