

The role of traffic legislation in promoting seat belt use in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Traffic safety in its broad sense aims to adopt all plans, programs, traffic regulations and preventive measures to reduce the occurrence of traffic accidents in order to preserve the safety of lives and property, the security of the country, and its human and economic components. The focus of traffic safety is represented by three elements: the vehicle, the road, and the human element. The General Traffic Department has devoted its efforts to achieving traffic safety on the roads by raising traffic awareness among vehicle drivers, adhering to traffic regulations, reducing violations, and addressing incorrect traffic behaviors, as well as reducing traffic accidents and reducing dangers on the roads.

Commitment to wearing a seat belt while driving plays a crucial role in reducing the risk of road accidents and preserving the safety of drivers and passengers. Therefore, the General Traffic Department raises awareness among citizens about the importance of wearing a belt and encourages them to comply with this safety measure. In the event that the driver does not comply with this basic road safety law, discretionary measures are applied, including the imposition of a fine. Responsible driving and adherence to traffic laws are vital to ensuring our safety and the safety of others on the roads. Among these laws, there is a common violation related to wearing a seat belt. In this research, we will look at the role of traffic legislation in promoting seat belt use in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and their importance in enhancing road safety.

Objectives of the study:

- Highlighting the role of relevant legislation in promoting seat belt use
- Harmful effects of not using a seat belt
- Financial violations resulting from not using a seat belt.

Methodology:

To achieve the objectives of the study and answer its questions, the analytical descriptive method was chosen. This method is based on describing a phenomenon to reach the causes of this phenomenon and the factors that control it, and to draw conclusions for generalization. The descriptive approach includes more than one

method: the method of surveying, the method of case study and these methods need the expertise and effort of the researcher, and the results should be interpreted carefully.

Study variables:

Dependent variable: traffic legislation

Independent variable: belt use

The limits of the study:

Limits of objectivity: The role of traffic legislation in promoting seat belt use in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Spatial boundaries: traffic in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Time limits: Second semester of 2024

The study sample: 150 questionnaires were distributed about the role of traffic legislation in promoting seat belt use in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and after retrieving and sorting them, it was found that we had 110 questionnaires suitable for statistical processing.