

Motor Vehicle Administration Regional Offices throughout the State.

The License Review Program was established to assist further in the rehabilitation of unsafe drivers and in the identification of individuals with bad driving attitudes. Under this program, license reviewers hold hearings for errant drivers. Based on these hearings, license reviewers submit their recommendations as to what action should be taken on an individual's driving privileges.

The Division is also responsible for the administration of the Medical Advisory Board. This Board consists of twenty-five physicians appointed by the Motor Vehicle Administrator to advise him on the medical aspects of driver licensing. In cases where an individual's physical or mental condition may affect his driving ability, the Motor Vehicle Administrator relies on the Board for professional guidance.

#### DIVISION OF DRIVER EXAMINATION AND LICENSING

Lt. Col. Arthur McCormick, *Director*

The Division of Driver Examination and Licensing is responsible for conducting examinations of all new drivers, and renewing motor vehicle operators licenses.

Examinations include testing of the applicant's visual acuity, knowledge of motor vehicle laws, and the ability to operate a motor vehicle safely.

Maryland licenses are now classified according to the type of vehicle the driver will operate and are designated A, B, C, D, and E. Any class license will authorize the licensee to operate vehicles in that particular class, or any lower class, except E, providing the licensee meets the age requirements of the several classes. The five classes are as follows:

Class A—Required to operate tractor-trailers; Class B—Required to operate trucks over 20,000 pounds gross weight; Class C—Required to operate buses; Class D—Required to operate automobiles, station wagons, and trucks up to 20,000 pounds gross weight; and Class E—Required to operate motorcycles.

Examinations are conducted at the Glen Burnie Headquarters, at the Regional Offices in Baltimore City, Chesapeake City, College Park, Cumberland, Forestville, Hagerstown, Rockville, Salisbury and Waldorf. In addition, examining and licensing teams conduct driver examinations at fourteen other locations throughout the State. In addition, three mobile van testing units are now used to conduct Class A, B, and C tests at large trucking, bus, or utility facilities, including fire departments and schools. These vans are equipped to enable the examiners to conduct vision screening, written law tests, and to collect and account for the applicable fees.

#### SAFETY RESPONSIBILITY

John H. Calhoun, *Deputy Administrator*

#### DIVISION OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Agnes Stoicog, *Director*

The security and judgment provisions of the Financial Responsibility Division were repealed effective January 1, 1973 and in their place compulsory automobile liability insurance was established. The prime function of the Financial Responsibility Division is the enforcement of compulsory insurance. Under the compulsory insurance law, all Maryland licensed insurance companies are required to notify the Motor Vehicle Administration of cancellations or terminations of liability insurance policies as well as excluded drivers. This Division is required to maintain an active file with the names of all uninsured motorists required to re-certify the statutory minimum motor vehicle liability requirements. Their failure to present the required evidence of insurance results in the suspension of vehicle tags.

In addition to the enforcement of the compulsory insurance law, this Division receives motor vehicle accident reports from motorists involved in accidents that have resulted in personal injury or property damage in excess of \$100 that have not been investigated by police authorities.