

(4) (i) "Seat belt" means a restraining device described under § 22-412 of this article.

(ii) "Seat belt" includes a combination seat belt-shoulder harness.

(b) A person may not operate a motor vehicle unless the person and each outboard front seat occupant under 16 years old are restrained by a seat belt or a child safety seat as provided in § 22-412.2 of this article.

(c) (1) The provisions of this subsection apply to a person who is at least 16 years old.

(2) Unless a person is restrained by a seat belt, the person may not be a passenger in an outboard front seat of a motor vehicle.

(3) A person who violates the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the penalties under this section.

(d) If a physician licensed to practice medicine in this State determines and certifies in writing that use of a seat belt by a person would prevent appropriate restraint due to a person's physical disability or other medical reason, the provisions of this section do not apply to the person.

(e) A certification under subsection (d) of this section shall state:

(1) The nature of the physical disability; and

(2) The reason that restraint by a seat belt is inappropriate.

(F) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AND CONTRACT CARRIERS WHILE DELIVERING MAIL TO LOCAL BOX ROUTES.

[[f]] (G) A violation of this section is not considered a moving violation for purposes of § 16-402 of this article.

[[g]] (H) (1) Failure of an individual to use a seat belt in violation of this section may not:

(i) Be considered evidence of negligence;

(ii) Be considered evidence of contributory negligence;

(iii) Limit liability of a party or an insurer;
or