



## PEMBROKE POLICE SERVICE

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### PRESS RELEASE

#### Spring Seatbelt Campaign

This year's Spring Seatbelt Campaign has started and will run through until the 24th of April. The Pembroke Police Service will be out on our local streets ensuring that everyone is obeying the seat belt laws.

The Pembroke Police Service would like to remind all motorists to buckle up properly every time they are in a vehicle and that it is the drivers responsibility to ensure that every passenger under the age of 16 is wearing a seatbelt. Everyone should keep in mind the "One Person, One Seatbelt" legislation that is now in effect which requires every occupant in a motor vehicle to be buckled up properly while occupying a seat where a seatbelt is available. The fine for not wearing a seatbelt in the province of Ontario is now \$240.00 plus 2 points on your licence.

Drivers should also ensure that children under 20 pounds are in a rear-facing child safety seat. Children weighing between 20 and 40 pounds must be in a forward-facing child safety seat with a properly secured tether strap. Children under the age of 8 years, weighing between 40 and 80 pounds and less than 4'9" tall must be in a booster seat.

Every year, people's lives are saved in Ontario because they chose to obey the law and buckle up. Remember, if you are involved in an accident without your seatbelt on, a fine may be the least of your worries.