

# KANSAS TURNPIKE NEWS



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## *Pavement replacement project to start again near Lawrence*

The project to replace the original, 1950s pavement and base east of Lawrence, 2011 is scheduled to restart on Monday, March 14, after breaking for winter weather in November.

This project will reduce traffic to one lane in each direction along this stretch of I-70 from Milepost 208 to 211, approximately between the Lawrence Service Area and the Tonganoxie/Eudora interchange. This work replaces the last remaining original roadway between East Topeka and Kansas City. The ramps to the Lawrence Service Area will also be replaced during this phase of the project, which is scheduled to be complete in November.

Extra traffic control measures will be in place on Friday evenings, which historically are more congested than any other time. Travelers should expect delays in the construction zone, especially on Friday afternoons and evening or before and after large area events such as KU or Chiefs football games or Kansas Speedway races.

During the summer months between Memorial Day and Labor Day, the Turnpike's State Farm Safety Assist program will again be working between Topeka and Kansas City. These workers will provide additional customer service to those experiencing vehicle trouble. Customers whose vehicles may be having mechanical issues are encouraged to exit the roadway or pull to the shoulder prior to entering the construction zone. Stranded motorists can call for help by dial \*KTA from a cellular phone.

Customers are also encouraged to be courteous when driving in the construction zone, especially when merging with other vehicles.

Additional information can be found with the Kansas River Bridges project updates at [www.SpanningTheFuture.com](http://www.SpanningTheFuture.com) or in the Construction Information section of the KTA's web site. If you will be looking for information on March 15, please remember that the site will be down temporarily that day for the transition to the newly redesigned site.

## **ksturnpike.com to undergo transformation**

In mid-March, the Kansas Turnpike Authority will launch a redesigned web site. During the transition, the web site — including access to K-TAG account information — could be down for a brief period of time.

Watch for notices on the web site for a specific time that web access outages may occur.

The new design includes improved functionality and navigation. Some of the new features are map and weather enhancements, a media center, and an online employment application.

The website will remain at [www.ksturnpike.com](http://www.ksturnpike.com). K-TAG customers can also go directly to [www.myktag.com](http://www.myktag.com) and travelers affected by the Kansas River Bridges project can get information quickly at [www.SpanningTheFuture.com](http://www.SpanningTheFuture.com).

**See the back page for additional web site information.**

## K-TAG KORNER

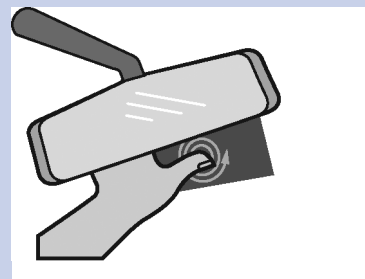
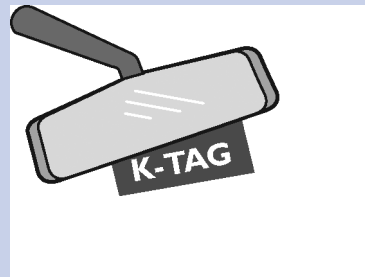
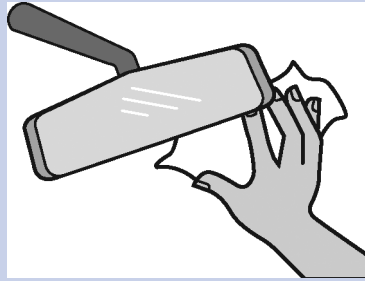
### ***Stick it!* K-TAGs must be mounted to your windshield**

Two years ago, the Kansas Turnpike Authority began distributing a new style of K-TAG — a sticker tag.

The sticker uses the glass as an antenna to communicate with a reader as drivers pass through the lanes at toll plazas; and holding the tag up does not work because the body interferes with the signal.

But it isn't just the sticker tags that must be mounted. All K-TAGs must be attached to the windshield to work properly and help keep everyone moving at the toll lanes.

Below are instructions on mounting your sticker or hard case K-TAG.



#### **Step 1**

Clean and dry the inside of your windshield.

#### **Step 2**

Find the correct position for your K-TAG: on the inside of your windshield behind the rearview mirror.

#### **Step 3**

Peel off the clear backing on the gray side of the sticker K-TAG or the backing on the hook-and-loop tape on the back of the hard case K-TAG. Adhere the sticker tag to the windshield by rubbing the tag into place using a circular motion. Adhere the hardcase tag in place by pressing the K-TAG flat against the windshield. If your hard case K-TAG uses suction cups, make sure they are clean and dry and press the tag flat against the windshield.

## **Web site redesign** *continued*

### **Bookmarking a page within your K-TAG account access can cause viewing problems**

If you visit a site frequently, you may be like a lot of people and bookmark the page so you can click once to take you directly there.

Similarly, if you access your account information every month, you may use this same feature to save you time. However, if you bookmark a page

within your account access, it can cause you to receive error messages. This means that if you bookmark a page once you have already logged in, you may not be able to get back to the correct location.

To help reduce the chance that you will receive an error message, please bookmark

[www.ksturnpike.com](http://www.ksturnpike.com). On the new site, click on the blue box with the K-TAG logo to access your account information.

Also, please be aware that some page names will change with the launch of the redesigned web site so some old bookmarks may not work after mid-March.



**Weather alert! In Kansas, severe thunderstorms can produce tornados nearly any time of year. Please remember that overpasses are not safe shelters from a storm.**

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