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**NEW TOLL RATE AT HAMPTON TOLL PLAZA TO BEGIN ON JULY 1, 2009**  
**50 CENT INCREASE FOR PASSENGER VEHICLES AT MAIN LINE TOLL**

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) announces new toll rates will take effect at the Hampton Main Line plaza on Interstate I-95 (Blue Star Turnpike), effective at 12:00:01 AM on Wednesday, July 1, 2009.

Passenger vehicles will increase 50 cents per vehicle, and dual tire vehicles will increase \$1.00 per vehicle. The toll rate for passenger vehicles at Hampton Main Toll will increase from \$1.50 to \$2.00. Electronic message signs are being used at the affected plaza to alert motorists of the pending toll increase.

The E-ZPass discount rate will continue at 30% for New Hampshire private account holders and 10% for New Hampshire business account holders

The additional revenue will help fund the implementation of Open Road Tolling (ORT) at the Hampton Main Line plaza. ORT, which will include two center lanes of free flowing traffic in each direction, will significantly reduce congestion and improve air quality. Construction for the Open Road Tolling project will begin later this summer. For more information on the Hampton ORT project, visit

[www.NH.gov/dot/org/operations/turnpikes/ort/index.htm](http://www.NH.gov/dot/org/operations/turnpikes/ort/index.htm)

Motorists are encouraged to consider opening an E-ZPass account to save time and money. Visit [www.EZPASSNH.com](http://www.EZPASSNH.com) for more information. Cash paying customers are encouraged to pay with the correct toll fare to save time.

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