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New Mexico, Oklahoma And Oregon Reclassify Driving Requirements For Three-Wheeled "Autocycles"

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Polaris® Slingshot® Gains Momentum with State Legislation, Reinforcing Its Unique Category-Creating Innovation
MINNEAPOLIS, June 20, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Polaris Slingshot®, a three-wheeled, open-air cockpit "autocycle," has announced New Mexico, Oklahoma and Oregon as the latest states to reclassify its licensing requirements. Slingshot drivers in these states can now operate the vehicle with a valid state driver's license rather than the previously required motorcycle endorsement or license. With the addition of these three states, a total of 33 states that have aligned in reclassifying its licensing requirements.

Because of the unique three-wheeled configuration and characteristics of the vehicle, determining how to classify the Polaris Slingshot has been a challenge for many state governments, which Polaris classifies as a three-wheeled roadster, or "autocycle." Initially, when it was introduced to the market in 2014, consumers were required to have a motorcycle endorsement or license to operate the Slingshot. Though, unlike true motorcycles, Slingshot does not feature handlebars or a throttle, but rather offers a distinct ride via a steering wheel, five-speed manual transmission, and side-by-side bucket seats.

"We are proactively educating state officials about the characteristics and unique attributes of the Slingshot. As we do this, they are realizing the licensing requirements for the roadster share more similarities to a car rather than a motorcycle," said Rachael Elia, Slingshot Marketing Manager. "Our goal is to gain a unified classification across the country to provide more opportunities and driving freedom for consumers looking for the ultimate thrill experience that the bold three-wheeled roadster offers."

Today, 33 states, including the District of Columbia, require only a driver's license to operate the Slingshot. The



remaining states require a motorcycle endorsement, but efforts are underway to reclassify the vehicle to gain full conformity throughout the United States.

Owners can personalize and customize their Slingshot with dozens of Slingshot Engineered Accessories, including styling enhancements, tech and audio components, storage options, wind deflectors, riding gear, helmets, driving jackets and street wear. Most of the vehicle accessories are offered in a variety of factory color-matched options.

For more information about Slingshot visit **PolarisSlingshot.com**. Follow us at **Facebook.com/PolarisSlingshot**, **@Slingshot** on Twitter and **@polarisslingshot** on Instagram.

Polaris Slingshot recommends drivers and passengers always wear a DOT-approved, full-face helmet and fasten seat belts when operating. Never drink and ride.

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