



Clearinghouse for Older Road User Safety Using Modern Methods Technology to Assist Older Drivers

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What is ChORUS

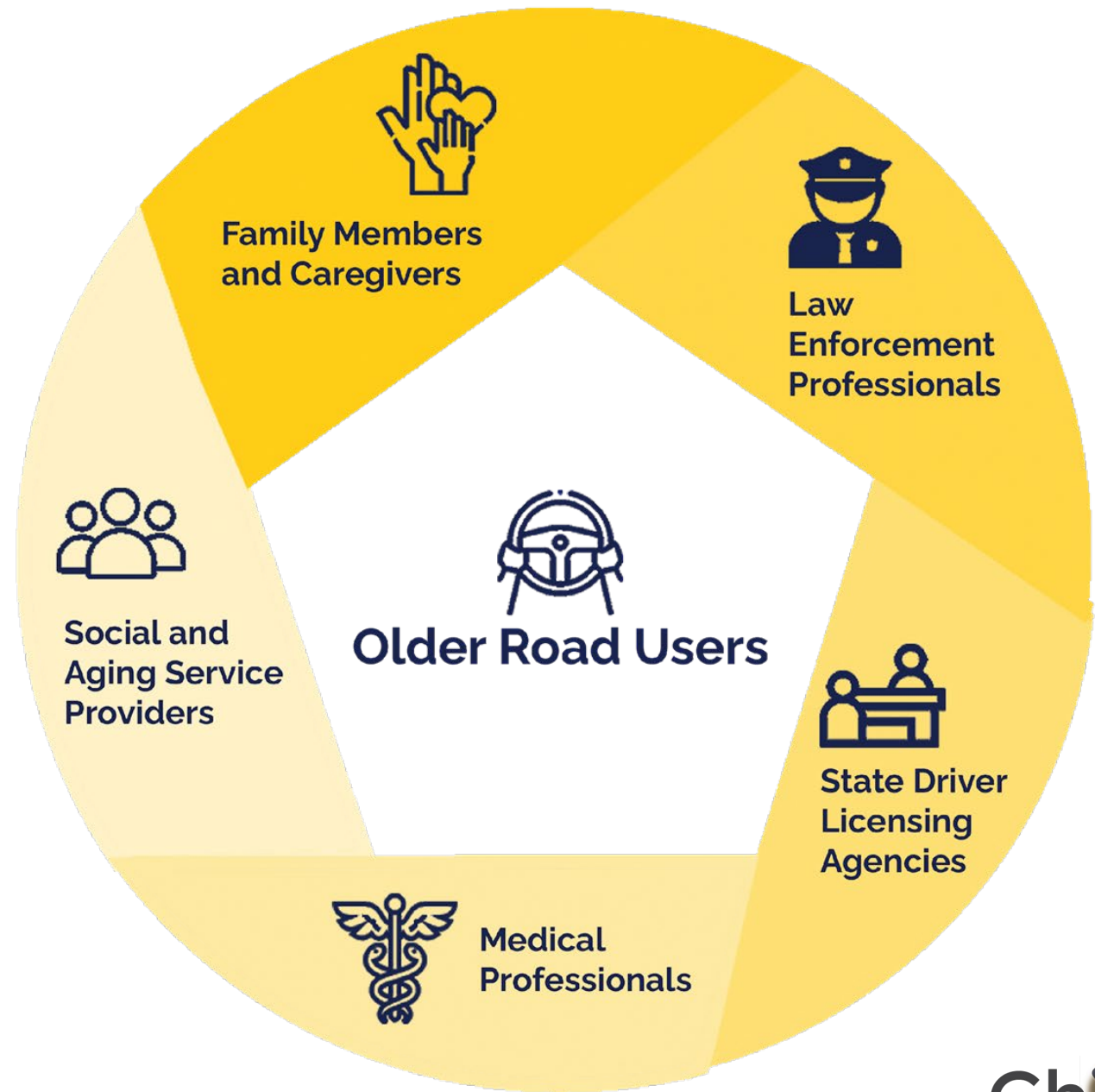
- A centralized, user-friendly, and dynamic source of information pertaining to highway safety for aging drivers, passengers, pedestrians, and cyclists.
- Supports safer road users, safer roadways, and safer vehicles.
- Funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).



Purpose of ChORUS

ChORUS, the Clearinghouse for Older Road User Safety, offers tools and resources to help older adults and professionals plan for safety on the road.

Who Do We Serve?



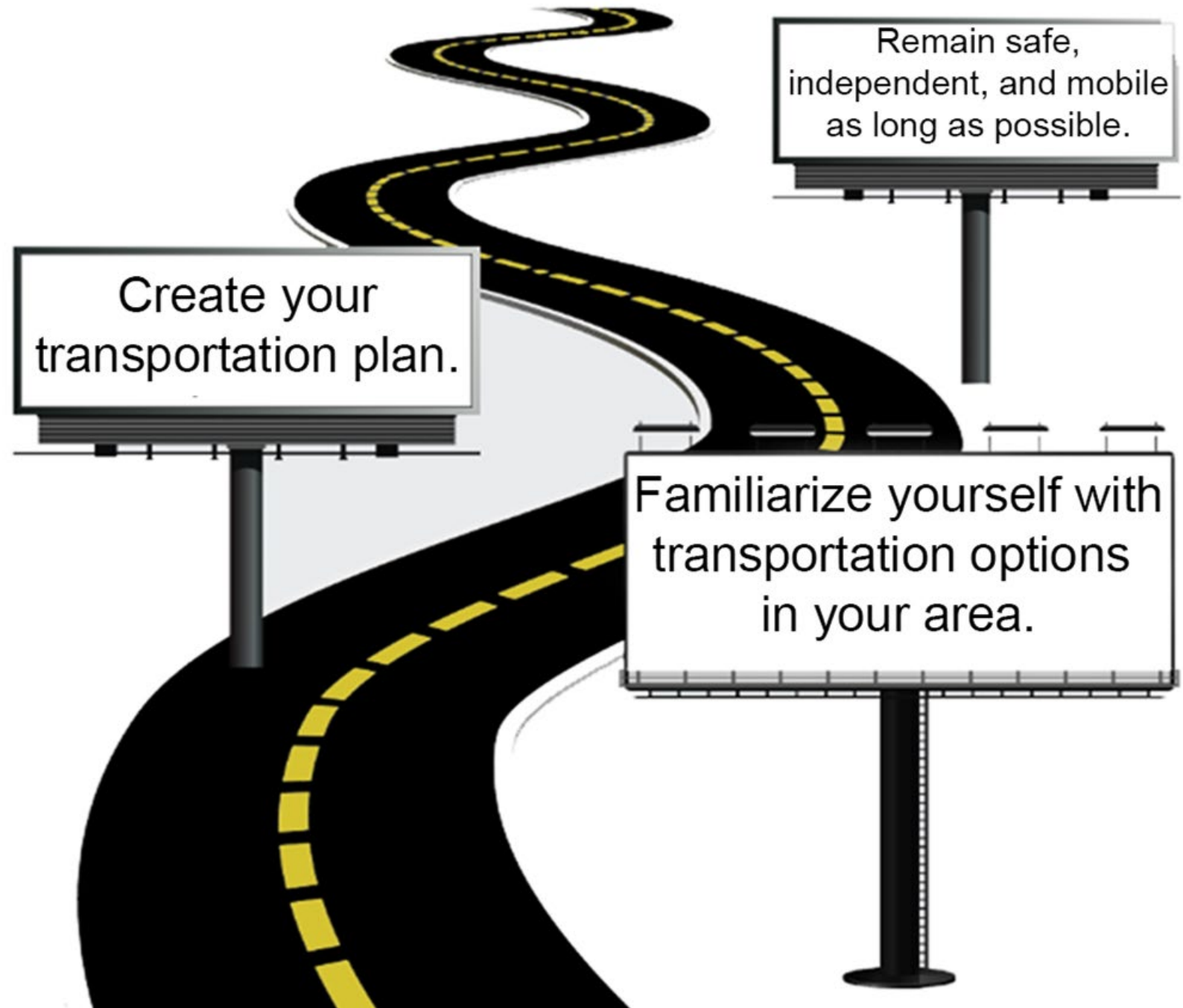
Tools and Resources

Audience-specific pages and topics include:



- Knowing the signs
- Screening and assessment
- Medical conditions and safe road use
- Vehicle safety features
- How to have the conversation
- Developing a transportation plan

Transportation Planning Tool



My State Information Page



Alternative Transportation

Older Road User Safety
State Specific Resources

Pedestrian & Bike Safety Resources

My State Info Page

Screening and Assessments



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Self-Assessment and Caregivers' Rating Tools

Several free tools are available for older patients, their family members, and caregivers to identify at-risk older drivers; the scores often correlate positively with on-road driving scores and clinical assessments. While a self-assessment cannot solely determine whether the person is a safe driver, it may prompt the person to be more open to a conversation with healthcare providers and others concerned about the aging adult's driving.

These two options are quick and easy to take and may provide a basis for determining if a deeper self-assessment might be helpful.

- **"Test Your Driving IQ."** Asks drivers to answer ten questions about today's driving environment and how they react to driving on today's roads at www.aarp.org/families/driver_safety.
- **AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety.** Quiz that asks a person to respond to 15 statements about driving situations and gives suggestions based on the person's answers at <http://seniordrivers.org/quiz/driver55.cfm>.

The following self-assessments are more comprehensive and can be helpful in confirming whether an individual can benefit from consulting a medical professional or driving rehabilitation specialist to help ensure their safety on the road.

- **Driving Decisions Workbook.** Assessment tool in which scores correlate with on-road driving scores and includes tests of functional ability. Free at: https://www.michigan.gov/documents/agingdrivers/MDOT_DrivingDecisionWorkbook_507540_7.pdf
- **SAFER Driving Survey:** Web-based tool that focuses on the health concerns of older drivers that may be due to medication conditions and medications and calculates the effects of these concerns on critical driving skills. The goal is to improve safety for the older driver. Correlates positively with on-road driving scores and clinical assessment. Free at: <http://www.um-saferdriving.org/firstPage.php>

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Screening and Assessment Tools

Several free tools are available to help you as an older driver determine your level of risk on the road. A short self-assessment that you can complete may be useful to determine if a change in driving habits or deeper assessment is needed. Any one of the following short assessments may indicate that additional assessment and planning may be necessary.

- The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's **Driving Safely while Aging Gracefully** [@](#) includes a self-assessment.
- **Test Your Driving IQ** [@](#) asks drivers to answer ten questions about today's driving environment and how they react to driving on today's roads.
- The **AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety Quiz** [@](#) asks a person to respond to 15 statements about driving situations and gives suggestions based on the person's answers.

The following self-assessments are comprehensive and can be helpful in confirming whether you might benefit from consulting a medical professional or Driving Rehabilitation Specialist to help ensure your safety on the road.

- The **Driving Decisions Workbook** [@](#) is an assessment tool in which scores correlate with on-road driving scores and includes tests of functional ability.
- **Driver Safety Questionnaire: Interactive** [@](#) tool will ask you questions about driving safety that you can answer either for yourself or for someone else. They will then provide you with suggestions based on your answers.
- **Roadside Review** [@](#) takes users through a series of brief tasks that examine a person's vision, reaction time, and other measures related to driving safety.

While a self-assessment can get things started, it is advisable to consider a professional assessments and evaluations. Driving Rehabilitation Specialists are specifically trained to help identify steps you can take now to improve your safety on the road, how you might modify your car for increased safety, and to advise on when an older road user might want to stop driving. **What to Expect When You Are Referred to a Driving Rehabilitation Specialist?** will help you understand the assessment process and how it can inform planning. To find a Driving Rehabilitation Specialist near you, refer to the **My State Info** page. You may also want to refer to the **Guide to Comprehensive Driving Evaluations** [@](#) for more information.

Handouts



RULE OUT INTOXICATION AND URGENT MEDICAL CONDITIONS

ASK ALL 9 QUESTIONS - EACH INCORRECT RESPONSE IS WORTH ONE POINT

1. What is your date of birth? 1 PT
 ¿Cuál es su fecha de nacimiento?
 Month, day, and year required; must match document
2. What is your full home address? 1 PT
 ¿Cuál es su dirección (numero, calle, ciudad, estado)?
 Address provided must match document; if not, prompt for address listed on document
3. What state are we in now? 1 PT
 ¿En qué estado estamos en este momento?
4. What city/town are we in now? 1 PT
 ¿En qué ciudad estamos en este momento?
5. Without looking at your watch, can you estimate what time it is now? 1 PT
 ¿Sin mirar su reloj, puede decirme aproximadamente qué hora es?
 Answer provided must be plus or minus one hour of correct time
6. What day of the week is it? 1 PT
 ¿Qué día de la semana es hoy?
- 7-9. What is today's date? 1 PT
 ¿Cuál es la fecha de hoy?
 Prompt for month, day and year if needed
 - Month (Mes) 1 PT
 - Day (Día) 1 PT
 - Year (Año) 1 PT

SCORING CRITERIA

- 5 OR MORE INCORRECT → **PRIORITY RE-EXAM**
 Unsafe to drive; refer to department procedures for alternative transportation and vehicle removal
- 3-4 INCORRECT → **REGULAR or PRIORITY RE-EXAM**
 Potentially unsafe to drive; consider totality of circumstances
- 0-2 INCORRECT → **NO REFERRAL or REGULAR RE-EXAM**
 Based on totality of circumstances

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS TO ASSIST IN EVALUATION

1. Where are you coming from and where you are going?
 ¿De dónde viene y a dónde va?
2. Will you please spell your name?
 Por favor deletree su nombre
3. Do you have an emergency contact? What is their name and phone number?
 ¿Tiene un contacto de emergencia? ¿Cuál es su nombre y número de teléfono?



¿Qué esperar cuando se lo/la deriva a un especialista en rehabilitación de conductores?

A medida que envejecemos, nuestras habilidades físicas y cognitivas pueden disminuir. Durante los exámenes médicos anuales o cualquier otro estudio, su doctor puede solicitarle una evaluación más exhaustiva para continuar siendo un conductor seguro en la carretera. Los especialistas en rehabilitación de conducción (DRS, por sus siglas en inglés) están entrenados para realizar estas evaluaciones y brindar recomendaciones de cómo conducir de forma segura durante mucho tiempo.

Un DRS trabajará junto a usted para decidir cómo mejorar su calidad de conducción; si mejorar el estado físico mediante otros servicios podría ser importante y si una evaluación minuciosa de conducción hecha por un DRS también podría ser útil. La recomendación de un DRS puede incluir una variedad de actividades para asistir al conductor, desde la administración de medicamentos por medio de un cuidador y el tratamiento de un fisioterapeuta para los problemas de movilidad, hasta la adaptación de dispositivos para su automóvil que hacen que la conducción sea más fácil y segura, buscando características de seguridad cuando se compre un nuevo automóvil, y procurando alternativas de transporte para aquellas situaciones en las que no se sienta seguro al volante.

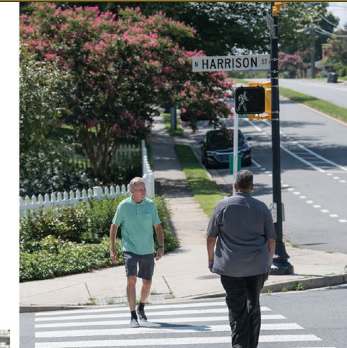
Un médico clínico puede informar al conductor mayor las razones por las que necesita una evaluación adicional, los objetivos, los tipos de pruebas involucradas y los costos habituales si no están cubiertos por el seguro. Algunos programas pueden necesitar una prescripción, por lo tanto, es necesario conocer las políticas y los requisitos locales. Generalmente, se establece una cita de seguimiento luego de la evaluación del conductor.

¿Cuál es el papel del especialista en rehabilitación de conducción (DRS)?

Normalmente, un DRS es un terapeuta ocupacional entrenado para determinar la seguridad del conductor y el reentrenamiento. Pueden estar asociados con centros médicos, centros de rehabilitación, escuelas de conducción y oficinas estatales de

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Who ChORUS Serves



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There is a role for everyone in our community to ensure traffic safety for older adults. ChORUS offers tools and resources for all.

**Safer Roads
Safer People
Safer Vehicles**



ChORUS Transportation Planning Tool

- 13 Yes/No Questions
- Provides a to do list with associated links and resources
- Interest among 2-1-1 and other call centers to use when assisting callers



State Traffic Safety Programs for Older Adults

STATE TRAFFIC SAFETY PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS

The State Traffic Safety Programs for Older Adults is a resource developed to help traffic safety professionals learn about other states' older road user safety programs, the various program components of each, and identify components to consider implementing or expanding in their states. This information will be updated periodically and over time revised to meet the continuing needs of our traffic safety professionals.

Select any state from the table below to view additional details and models.

If you would like to add or update your state program information, please reach out to us at: roadsafeseniors@neweditions.net



State	Website	Older Driver Statistics	State Specific Stats	Older Driver Specific Program	Older Driver Guide	Description	Coalition	Funding	Alternate Transport	Resources for Caregivers
AK	✓				✓					
CA	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
FL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
GA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
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ME	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	
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MI	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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MY STATE INFO TRAFFIC SAFETY PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS



PROGRAM NAME

Safe Mobility for Life Program, 2004

WEBSITE

<https://www.safemobilityfl.com/>

LEAD AGENCY

Florida Department of Transportation, State Traffic Engineering and Operations Office

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Florida Department of Transportation's Safe Mobility for Life Program and Coalition has adopted a comprehensive, proactive, data-driven approach to eliminating fatalities and reducing serious injuries for aging road users. The Safe Mobility for Life coalition believes older drivers hold the keys to their transportation future. To help Floridians stay safe and mobile for life, the Coalition educates, develops resources, and promotes the keys to achieve safe mobility for life, which are: Understand the impact aging has on driving; Be Proactive about safe driving skills; and Plan for a safe transition from driving.

PROGRAM SUPPORT

FDOT has a statewide coalition in partnership with the Pepper Institute on Aging and Public Policy at FSU. There are currently have 31 members organizations representing our stakeholders: engineers/planners, aging service providers, health care professionals, licensing, law enforcement, etc. The Safe Mobility for Life plan and fact sheet provides detailed information.

PROGRAM FUNDING

The Safe Mobility for Life Program is funded through a Section 402 State and Community Highway Safety Grant Program from the Governors Highway Safety Association. The grant is managed by the Pepper Institute for Aging and Public Policy. FDOT and Pepper manage the Coalition together. Additionally there are state funds to provide technical support to the FDOT's Safe Mobility for Life Program as they work to implement the strategic action plan.

STATE LICENSING INFORMATION FOR OLDER DRIVERS

<https://www.flhsmv.gov/driver-licenses-id-cards/florida-granddriver/resources-older-drivers/>

ALTERNATE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

<https://findarideflorida.org/>

What Can You Do?

- Connect your colleagues to ChORUS.
- Share ChORUS resources and tools.
- Submit resources to share on ChORUS.

<https://www.roadsafeseniors.org/submit-resource>

What Next

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resource

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