



## IMSA News

### IMSA Membership Renewal Deadline: **January 1st**

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Reach out to our membership team via [email](#).

Call our membership team at (321)349-3569.

Stay engaged with IMSA in 2021 as we celebrate our *125th year serving* our members who work to keep the public safe.

### IMSA Online Certifications

Launching in early 2021, IMSA Sections will have the opportunity to offer two ways to earn IMSA certifications. Through our traditional in person classroom and, coming soon, our online classroom. More details coming in January, stay engaged with IMSA.



### **\$50 Amazon Gift Card For Winning Name**

As we prepare to launch the IMSA Online Certification platform, we seek your input in our program branding.

Submit your ideas for a unique name for IMSA online certification that will stand out and connect with our industry.

Drop your ideas to [Kim Dresser](#) before January 15th.

## 2021 IMSA Webinar Sponsorship Opportunities

Be a sponsor of an IMSA Monthly webinar and have the opportunity to connect with our members, certificate holders and industry collaborators. [Learn more.](#)



## Partner News

### The Digital Transformation Council - Smart Cities Meeting

Brought to you by our partners at [ARC Advisory Group](#), a monthly meeting of end users who share best practices and application stories in a wide variety of smart city domains. It's an end user only event - where best practices and application stories are shared - without supplier influence. [Learn more.](#)

## From the IMSA Journal

### Industry Member Photo

IMSA member Matthew Hodges, Roanoke City Signals Department in Roanoke, VA shared this photo.

**Share with us** your jobsite photos and we can include them in our bi-monthly printed *IMSA Journal*.

[Members, sign in to read more.](#)



### Read the Journal On-Line

A reminder that IMSA members can enjoy the electronic edition of the Journal with clickable links. Want access? [Sign in](#) and become a member right from your profile.

### 2021 IMSA Journal Advertising Opportunities

Our 2021 advertising opportunities are booking quickly as we end 2020. We have a variety of advertising and exposure opportunities still available - make your marketing plans to get noticed in 2021! [Learn more.](#)



*Thank you* - each and every one of you for standing by your IMSA staff and IMSA Sections as we glided over the bumps that 2020 offered us.

Our hope for 2021 is that each of you stay healthy and continue to strive in your quest to provide the highest level of public safety.

Happy New Year from all of us to all of you!



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## Product Spotlight

### Polara

#### Polara launches “iDetect” Touchless Button Actuation into iNS APS

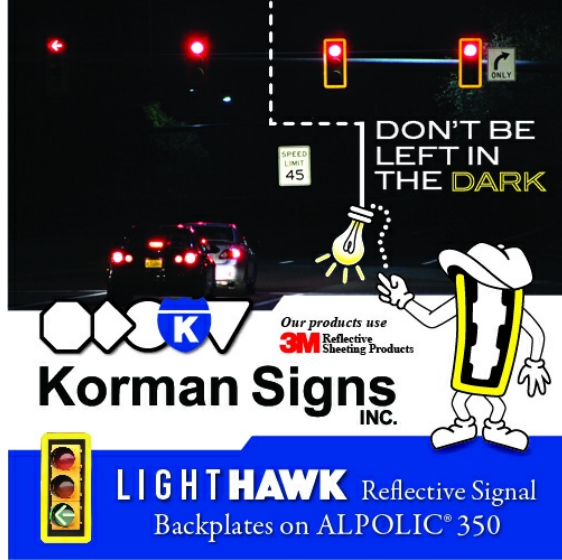
- Detects movement typically within 1-4 inches
- Inconspicuous Radar Detection – Vandal Resistant
- Get your signals out of “Recall” and back to normal!

We have all seen the vandalism that can and does happen to buttons. Stickers, paint, gum, etc., can compromise other forms of detection, such as Infrared lenses. Rest assured, they don't see our detection! Click on the image for video or [www.polara.com](http://www.polara.com)

[Learn more.](#)



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## Freelance Writers Wanted

Do you know someone in our industry that would be interested in doing freelance work for IMSA as we seek to expand our growing *IMSA Journal* content? We would be looking for someone to work with our industry members for content, research trends in the industry, collaborate with our partners and do Q&A features. Contact [Kim Dresser](#) for more information.

## Certification Program Schedule

### FLORIDA SECTION

Contact: **SUNSHINE SAFETY COUNCIL** - [Stacey Mueller](#)

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- IMSA CFOT Certified Fiber Optic Tech, 3/30/2021, S Daytona Beach, FL
- IMSA CFOT Certified Fiber Optic Tech, 6/29/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- IMSA CFOT Certified Fiber Optic Tech, 10/19/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- Roadway Lighting I, 2/22/2021, Online
- Roadway Lighting II, 2/24/2021, Online
- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 5/24/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 3/22/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 8/23/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- Signs Tech II, 3/24/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- Signs Tech II, 8/25/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- Traffic Signal Field II, 1/21/2021, Online
- Traffic Signal Field II, 6/23/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL
- Traffic Signal Inspector – Florida Supplement, 1/21/2021, Online
- Traffic Signal Inspector for Advance Technologies, 2/22/2021, Online
- Traffic Signal Field III, 2/24/2021, Online
- Traffic Signal I, 1/19/2021, Online
- Traffic Signal I, 6/21/2021, S. Daytona Beach, FL

### FLORIDA SECTION

Contact: **Pinellas Technical College** - [Raymond Gorman](#)

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- Roadway Lighting I, 4/19/2021, St. Petersburg, FL
- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 3/8/2021, St. Petersburg, FL
- Signs Tech II, 3/29/2021, St. Petersburg, FL
- Traffic Signal Field, II 6/21/2021, St. Petersburg, FL
- Traffic Signal Inspector – Florida Supplement, 2/22/2021, St. Petersburg, FL
- Traffic Signal I, 1/25/2021, St. Petersburg, FL
- Traffic Signal I, 5/10/2021, St. Petersburg, FL

### FLORIDA SECTION

Contact: **United Safety Council**, [Carol Freeman](#)

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- Roadway Lighting I, 1/26/2021, Orlando
- Roadway Lighting II, 1/28/2021, Orlando
- Traffic Signal Field II, 3/4/2021, Orlando
- Traffic Signal Inspector – Florida Supplement, 3/2/2021, Orlando
- Traffic Signal Inspector – Florida Supplement, 1/13/2021, Orlando
- Traffic Signal I, 2/11/2021, Orlando
- Traffic Signal I, 1/11/2021, Orlando

**FLORIDA SECTION****Contact: Tyson Evatz****p:(727)580-0475**

- Roadway Lighting I, 1/11/2021, Oldsmar, FL

**FLORIDA SECTION****Contact: Race To Safety, Sherrie Garcia****p:(386)846-0545**

- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 1/26/2021, Sanford, FL
- Traffic Signal Inspector – Florida Supplement, 1/21/2021, Sanford, FL

**MIDDLE ATLANTIC SECTION****Contact: Chris Elliott****p:(434)222-3481**

- Traffic Signal Field II, 3/4/2021, Suffolk, VA
- Traffic Signal Inspector, 3/1/2021, Suffolk, VA
- Traffic Signal Inspector for Adv Tech., 3/4/2021, Suffolk, VA
- Traffic Signal Field III, 1/12/2021, Culpepper, VA
- Traffic Signal I, 3/1/2021, Suffolk, VA
- Transportation Center System Specialist I, 3/1/2021, Suffolk, VA
- Transportation Center System Specialist II, 3/4/2021, Suffolk, VA

**MIDWESTERN SECTION****Contact: Douglas Pershall****p:(309)428-3993**

- Traffic Signal II Field, 1/21/2021, Des Moines, IA
- Traffic Signal II Field, 2/11/21, Moorhead, MN
- Traffic Signal II Field, 4/15/21, Pewaukee, WI
- Traffic Signal II Field, 3/18/2021, St. Louis, MO
- Traffic Signal II Field, 2/25/2021, Independence, MO
- Traffic Signal III Field, 1/21/2021, Des Moines, IA
- Traffic Signal III Field, 2/25/2021, Independence, MO
- Traffic Signal III Field, 2/11/2021, Moorhead, MN
- Traffic Signal III Field, 3/18/2021, St. Louis, MO
- Traffic Signal III Field, 4/17/2021, Pewaukee, WI
- Traffic Signal I, 2/23/2021, Independence, MO
- Traffic Signal I, 4/13/2021, Pewaukee, WI
- Traffic Signal I, 3/16/2021, St. Louis, MO
- Traffic Signal I, 2/9/2021, Moorhead, MN
- Traffic Signal I, 1/19/2021, Des Moines, IA
- Work Zone, 2/8/2021, Moorhead, MN
- Work Zone, 1/18/2021, Des Moines, IA
- Work Zone, 2/22/2021, Independence, MO
- Work Zone, 3/15/2021, St. Louis, MO
- Work Zone, 4/12/2021, Pewaukee, WI

**NEW JERSEY SECTION****Contact: Guy Petinga****p:(609)705-5842**

- Municipal Fire Alarm I, 3/25/2021, Teaneck, NJ
- Pavement Markings I, 3/25/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Roadway Lighting I, 3/22/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Roadway Lighting II, 3/25/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 3/22/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Traffic Signal Construction II, 3/22/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Traffic Signal Design/Engineering II, 3/25/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Traffic Signal Field II, 3/22/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Traffic Signal Inspector, 3/22/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Traffic Signal I, 3/25/2021, Bordentown, NJ
- Work Zone, 3/22/2021, Bordentown, NJ

**SOUTHWESTERN SECTION****Contact: Lisa Purdy****p:(972)291-5549**

- Roadway Lighting I, 2/9/2021, Pearland, TX
- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 1/28/2021, Houston, TX
- Signs & Pavement Markings I, 1/29/2021, Houston, TX
- Traffic Signal Field II, 1/18/2021, Richardson, TX

#### **TRI-STATE SECTION**

**Contact: Steve Vance**

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- Traffic Signal Field II 2/19/2021, Green Springs, OH
- Traffic Signal I, 1/29/2021, Green Springs, OH
- Work Zone, 1/22/2021, Green Springs, OH

## **Industry Headlines**

Be sure to visit [IMSAsafety.org](https://imsasafety.org) to view to see the latest news from IMSA's Sustaining Member companies, located at the end of the home page.

### Smart Cities

#### **11 Experts Predict What Will Shape Smart Cities in 2021**

### Fiber Optics

#### **An Inside Look at How Fiber Optic Glass Is Made**

### Fire Alarm

#### **Louisiana State Fire Marshal Urges Continued Fire Safety Through End of 2020**

### Public Safety Telecommunications

#### **A Quiet, Steady Communications Revolution Has Radically Improved Response in Public Safety**

### Roadway and Area Lighting

#### **Minnesota Power Converts Local Street Lights To LED**

#### **223,000 LA Street Lights Repaired During Pandemic**

#### **Florida DOT Tests for Main Street Intersection Light in Ft. Myers**

### Signs & Signals

#### **Smarter Traffic Lights, Calmer Commuters**

#### **St. Pete Beach Revives Street Sign Debate**

#### **New Knoxville Street Sign Honors Families That Lived in Taylor Homes Before Losing Property**

### Traffic and Transportation

#### **Federal Stimulus Includes \$10b for Roads and Bridges, Including \$410m for PENNDOT**

#### **Building the Drone Highways of the Sky**

#### **Three Northeast States and D.C. To Launch Emissions Cap-and-Trade Program**

[Traffic Fatalities Drop for Third Straight Year in 2019, NHTSA Data Shows](#)

[Work Zone](#)

[Ohio State Troopers Release Interactive Dashboard To Cut Down Work Zone Crashes](#)

[New York State Police Issued 1,779 Tickets During 2020's Crackdown on Work Zone Violations](#)

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