

Nevada approves regulations for self-driving cars

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Nevada is becoming the first state to regulate self-driving vehicles on its roadways.

The state's legislative commission on Wednesday approved regulations that were vetted by car manufacturers, insurance companies, [law enforcement officials](#) and others.

Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles Director Bruce Breslow says the DMV is now developing licensing procedures for companies that want to test self-driving cars in Nevada.

Gov. Brian Sandoval test-drove a self-driving [Toyota Prius](#) in July. The car being developed by [Google](#) Inc. uses radar, sensors and computers that allow the vehicle to drive itself, though human drivers can override the autopilot function.

Breslow says self-driving test cars will use red license plates. When the technology is ready for use by the general public, the cars will display green license plates.

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