



## **Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **NEWPORT PELL BRIDGE AND JAMESTOWN VERRAZZANO BRIDGES RESTRICTED VEHICLE ACCESS DUE TO HIGH-SPEED WINDS**

**JAMESTOWN, R.I.** -- Due to weather creating safety concerns, the [Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority \(RITBA\)](#) has implemented restricted access on the Newport Pell and Jamestown Verrazzano bridges. This prohibits panel body type trucks when empty, tractor trailers, van types when empty, house trailers, motor homes, high profile vehicles, motorcycles and mopeds.

The protocol for restricted access on the bridge is if winds are sustained at fifty (50) knots (58 mph) when wind directions as N, NE, & S, SW across the Newport Pell Bridge.

Members of the public can check bridge conditions and closures by visiting our website at [ritba.org](http://ritba.org), by calling RITBA at 401-423-0803, or on Twitter at @RIEZPASS.

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