

VEHICLE SAFETY GUIDE

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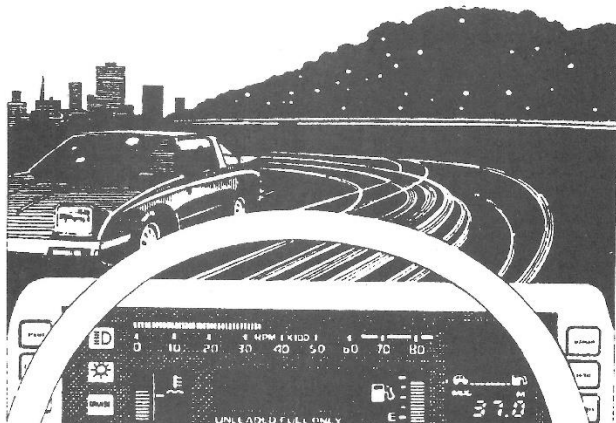


**Keep this handy Safety Guide
in your glove compartment
for easy reference.**

WHAT TO DO...

If you're in an accident

- Stop as close to the scene as possible without creating a traffic hazard.
- Check the scene for injuries and immediately report them and the accident to authorities.
- Remain at the scene but do not put yourself in hazardous situations. (Stay as far away from traffic as is safely possible.)
- Exchange information. Give your name, address, vehicle registration information and driver's license number to the investigating officer. If police are not on the scene, exchange this information with the other parties involved in the accident. Do not discuss the cause of the accident. Get the name and phone number of a witness if you can.



If your vehicle strikes an unattended vehicle

Most states require you to post your name and address on the vehicle or property you strike and to make a police report within 24 hours. It is best to notify the police immediately and do not leave the scene until they arrive.

If your vehicle becomes disabled

- Use shoulders to the greatest extent possible to decelerate and/or brake.
- Activate four-way flashers and wait for assistance.
- If help is slow in arriving, raise hood rather than trying to flag someone down.
- When exiting vehicle, check rear-view mirror and exit vehicle only when no vehicle is approaching. Under high volume conditions or where the shoulder width is restricted, always exit from the passenger side of the vehicle.
- Carry a flashlight or other active light source as well as both fluorescent and retroreflective materials in your vehicle in case of a breakdown. Warning triangles, fuses or flares are also needed to alert oncoming traffic of a disabled vehicle.
- Anyone who is not inside the disabled vehicle should wear fluorescent retroreflective materials during dark conditions. Make sure these materials are visible from the side when you are kneeling or standing.
- When moving around your vehicle, stay as far away from traffic as possible and always watch for approaching traffic.
- When changing a tire, make sure that no part of your body extends into the travel lane. If there is another person with you, have that person watch for approaching traffic.
- If it is absolutely necessary to leave your vehicle and walk for assistance, stay on the right side of the roadway even if it means walking with traffic rather than against traffic - never attempt crossing a multi-lane, high speed roadway.
- Walk to the closest interchange. Do not attempt to walk if no interchange is within sight or if you are uncertain how far it is to the nearest interchange.
- When walking, stay as far away from traffic as possible. Walk behind a guardrail if it can be done safely.

BASIC SAFETY ITEMS

To Keep in Your Vehicle

- Hand-held flashlight
- Jumper cables with instructions for how to use
- Tire jack with instructions for how to use
- A properly-pressurized spare tire
- A pair of pliers and screwdrivers
- Warning triangles, fuses or flares
- First aid kit
- Pair of work gloves
- Safety vest with reflective material

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