

Commonly Forgotten
Driving Rules



EVERY DAY DRIVING

1 Distracted Driving

Accidents can happen fast, so driving requires your undivided attention, don't drive with distractions.

2 Drive for the Conditions

Posted speed limits don't change based on traffic and weather conditions, but the way you drive should. If the roads are busier than usual or weather is poor, adjust your speed accordingly and proceed with caution.

3 Following Distance

Always keep a safe following distance behind other vehicles. If you're too close, you won't be able to stop to avoid a collision if the vehicle in front of you brakes suddenly.

TRAFFIC FLOW

1 Keep to the Right

To allow traffic to flow freely, always keep to the right on multi-lane roadways unless you're about to make a left turn or are passing slower traffic.

2 Roundabout/Traffic Circle

When entering, yield to drivers already in the circle. For multiple lanes, the driver on the right must yield to the driver on the left. Use your right signal to let other drivers know you're ready to exit.

3 Turning/Changing Lanes

Make sure to use your turn signal whenever you are moving away from a curb, turning, or changing lanes to tell others what you are going to do. Whether turning or going straight, always stay in your lane in an intersection, even if there are no vehicles in the other lane.

4 Emergency Vehicles

When an emergency vehicle is approaching from any direction with a siren sounding, you must yield the right-of-way. Safely move your vehicle as close as possible to the right curb/edge of a 2-way roadway or the nearest curb/edge on a 1-way. Stop until all emergency vehicles have passed before proceeding.

STOPPING/PARKING

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Rolling Stops

Be sure to come to a complete stop behind the line when at a stop sign. Even if the coast is clear, always come to a complete stop for three full seconds before proceeding. You also need to make a complete stop before making a right turn at a red light.

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Four-way Stops

Right-of-way goes in order of arrival. If multiple people arrive at the intersection at the same time, they should pass through in a clockwise order, so the person on your right goes first. Treat non-working traffic lights as if they are four-way stops.

3

Parking on a Hill

When you're parking on a hill, engage your parking brake and turn your steering wheel so your tires will roll towards the curb (instead of into oncoming traffic), in case your vehicle shifts out of park or is hit from behind by another driver.

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