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Safe Roadways Start With Safe Drivers!

A special message from
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Keep your family safe, wherever you may go!

Assemblyman Michael Montesano wants to ensure everyone reaches their destinations safe and sound. Learn more inside about how to stay safe while driving!



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Safe Driver Dos & Don'ts



Do

- Drive defensively. You should always expect the unexpected when it comes to other drivers or pedestrians. You can control your actions, you can't control theirs.
- Keep cars in front of you at least one car length away, even more if the weather is bad. If they stop or slow down suddenly, it will give you more time to respond.
- Buckle up and make sure you can see clearly in all your mirrors.



Don't

- Avoid multi-tasking. Texting, talking on the phone, putting on makeup, or locating an item that fell on the floor can take your attention away from the road.
- Don't drink alcohol or take drugs, which could impair your driving or judgement.
- Speeding not only puts lives at risk, it can earn you a ticket and points on your license.
- Don't engage in road rage, which includes using your vehicle as a weapon to intimidate others, making rude gestures, and verbally attacking others.

What do I do if I get pulled over?

If a police officer signals for you to pull over, do not panic! Pull over on the right side of the road as soon as it is safe to do so. Do not block traffic; stop on a shoulder or where there is plenty of room so your vehicle is out of the way. Turn on the light inside your car and keep your hands on the wheel until the officer requests your license, registration, and proof of insurance.

What do I do if I am in an accident?

First, make sure no one in your car is injured. Do not flee the scene. Leaving can result in serious repercussions, especially if another party is involved and hurt, but unable to call for help.

Call 911. Stay in the car if it is too dangerous to get out or if you think you may be hurt and could further injure yourself by moving. If another vehicle is involved, memorize their license plate number and if you are able, exchange contact and insurance information with the other driver. Get the contact information of any witnesses. Most importantly, remember to stay calm!



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