



SAFETY TALK

Defensive highway driving

Heavy construction workers frequently drive large vehicles on the highway. No matter the time of year or conditions there are hazards to consider.

What's the danger?

- Aggressive, inexperienced or distracted drivers
- Wildlife strikes
- Adverse weather/road conditions
- Cyclists and pedestrians
- Construction zones with workers and constricted lanes
- Increasing and decreasing speeds while passing, slowing and stopping

Protect yourself

- Drive defensively and position yourself to be able to see your surroundings and so others can see you
- Eliminate distractions that would divert your attention, such as mobile devices and food
- Be aware of your surroundings and your check mirrors frequently
- Maintain a safe following distance, giving time to brake and stop unexpectedly
- Adjust your speed for conditions, as posted speed limits are for ideal driving conditions
- Pass carefully and quickly, don't cut too closely in front of the passed vehicle while re-entering the lane
- Be cautious and plan accordingly if you have to drive in adverse weather conditions

Print and review this talk with your staff, sign off and file for COR™ / SECOR audit purposes.

Date: _____

Supervisor: _____

Performed by: _____

Location: _____

Concerns:

Corrective Actions:

Employee Name:

Employee Signature:

