

Situational reference cards

Print and cut along the dotted lines. Keep in the glove box for quick reference.

How to drive in the dark

1. Turn on your lights
2. Be aware of your surroundings, especially pedestrian crossings
3. Keep a flashlight with you in case your car breaks down
4. Be aware depth perception is harder to gauge in the dark. Allow more distance between you and other cars just in case.

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6 Steps after an accident

1. Pull over
2. Check for injuries
3. Secure the area
4. Document
5. Exchange info
6. Accident report
7. Find a tow and collision center

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN WHEN A DRIVER FLASHES THEIR LIGHTS AT YOU?

1. THEY ARE TRYING TO TELL YOU TO MOVE
2. THEY ARE ANGRY AT YOU
3. THEY ARE WARNING YOU OF A NEARBY COP
4. THEY ARE TRYING TO TELL YOU ONE OF YOUR HEADLIGHTS OR BRAKE LIGHTS ARE OUT
5. THEY ARE TELLING YOU TO TURN OFF YOUR BRIGHTS
6. THEY ARE TELLING YOU TO TURN ON YOUR HEADLIGHTS

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What to do if you're pulled over by a police officer

Be polite. Ask why you were pulled over if you're unsure.

First, slow down and pull over to a safe area to stop.

Have your driver's license and registration ready, should they ask for it.

Turn off your radio when the officer comes to your window.

Stay calm and keep your hands on the steering wheel if possible.

You don't have to consent to a car search. If they ask, you can politely say, "I don't consent to a search, officer."

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How to drive in winter weather

1. Stay home and avoid driving on ice, if possible
2. Leave headlights on for safety
3. Drive slowly and leave extra space between you and the car in front of you
4. If you skid, gently turn in the direction you want to go
5. Make sure you have working windshield wipers
6. Make a safety kit. Include road flares, blankets, and a bag of kitty litter.

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What to do when you see an emergency vehicle

If they're stopped on the side of the road with lights flashing, move away from that lane

If they're behind you at a red light, cautiously cross the road or turn right to allow them to pass

Slow down when driving by an emergency vehicle

Always give the emergency vehicle the right of way

Pull over as far as possible to the right

Come to a complete stop and wait for the emergency vehicle to pass before moving

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