

Toolbox Talks



Work Zone Driving

Drive towards ZERO crashes - Your driving actions and habits can save lives, including yours!

Know the work zone signs - They are the metal plaques that inform and warn you. In addition to metal warning signs, watch for cones, barrels, pavement markings, and other devices that guide you safely through.

Stay focused. Avoid distractions - Distractions can be deadly in work zones. Stay focused, watch signs, control your speed, and keep your hands off food and phones.

Pay attention to other drivers - Roadway work zones are less forgiving than normal stretches of highway and streets. They often have narrower lanes and no shoulders to escape in case you want to take evasive action.

Expect the unexpected - Work zones are unpredictable be ready for sudden stops, construction vehicles, uneven pavement, and workers nearby. Staying alert helps you react safely.

Keep your cool. Be patient - Stay calm in work zones. Slow down as needed and keep your cool patience helps everyone get through safely.

Discussion: Let's talk about this jobsite. Record notes and share appropriate parties.

1. Can you identify the areas of a work zone? Have you seen these areas as a worker or driver?
2. What precautions did you take when approaching the work zone?

