

TOOL BOX TALKS

Driving in Construction Zones

Construction and maintenance activities are occurring on Missouri highways on a constant basis. In the summer months repaving, mowing and bridge work are common. In the winter months, road crews are keeping the ice and snow under control. Driving through construction zones is very dangerous as machines, dump trucks and other drivers attempt to squeeze through. Review these construction zone safety tips with your company drivers.

WORKSAFE TIPS

Driving Safely in Construction Zones

- Wear your seat belt.
- Slow down to the posted speed limit.
- Be alert – especially at night!
- Pick a lane and stay there.
- Scan ahead for:
 - Workers.
 - Road hazards.
 - Moving machines or trucks.
- Reduce distractions and focus on the road ahead:
 - Do not talk on the cell phone.
 - Don't eat, drink or groom.
 - Don't worry with the CD player or radio until after you've passed the construction zone.
- Plan a route that avoids construction work zones.
- Leave early.
- Control your emotions. When you're late to work or an appointment, emotions can take over.
- Give trucks and machines room.

DRIVERS MUST WORK TOGETHER TO STAY SAFE IN CONSTRUCTION ZONES.

ROAD CREWS WORK DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO MACHINES AND MOVING VEHICLES.

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