

DRIVE 
 **SAFE**

- 37,000+ people die in car crashes in the US every year.
- Each year about 421,000 people are injured by other distracted drivers.
- The national seat belt use rate was at 90.3% in 2020.
- 1 in 4 accidents in the US are caused by distracted driving.
- In 2018, speeding killed 9,378 people.
- Every day, about 28 people in the United States die in drunk-driving crashes.



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***TRAFFIC
SAFETY
GUIDE***

WHAT TO DO IF YOU GET STOPPED

If you've been driving for a while it's more than likely happened to you at least once; looking in the rear view mirror to see police blue lights.



1. Stay calm.
2. Find the safest place to pull over. The officer is also looking for a safe place to pull you over.
3. When you stop put your car in park and turn off the engine.
4. Don't fidget or shuffle around. If you are moving around a lot, this may indicate to the officer you're trying to hide something.
5. Keep your hands on the steering wheel where the officer can see them.
6. DO NOT get out of the car unless the officer directs you to do so.
7. The officer will tell you why he or she stopped you, and will ask you for your drivers license, registration and proof of insurance.
8. Slowly hand the officer all of the information they ask for.
9. Please don't argue, cuss, interfere with, or resist police. The officer will stay calm if you stay calm.
10. If you think you're not in the wrong – settle it in front of a judge – The officer is not one.
11. If you believe your rights have been violated deal with that in court and/or file a complaint with the local agency or sheriff's office later.
12. Stay calm.

Sources: nhtsa.gov & safecar.org

DISTRACTED DRIVING



1 in 4 Car Accidents in the US are caused by texting while driving.

Every year 421,000 people are injured by other distracted drivers.



Estimates suggest that distraction contributes to 16% of all fatal crashes.

Don't be the cause of harm to yourself or anyone else.

All distracted driving accidents are preventable. If you see someone driving distracted, distance yourself from them and take every precaution necessary.

SLOW DOWN



In 2018, speeding killed 9,378 people.

Speeding is more than just breaking the law. The consequences are far-ranging:



- Greater potential for loss of vehicle control
- Reduced effectiveness of occupant protection equipment
- Increased stopping distance after the driver perceives a danger
- Increased degree of crash severity leading to more severe injuries
- Economic implications of a speed-related crash
- Increased fuel consumption/costs



DRUNK DRIVING

Every day, about 28 people in the United States die in drunk-driving crashes – that's one person every 52 minutes.



Alcohol, marijuana, and other drugs can impair the ability to drive because they slow coordination, judgment, and reaction times. Cocaine and methamphetamine can make drivers more aggressive and reckless. Using two or more drugs at the same time, including alcohol, can amplify the impairing effects of each drug a person has consumed.

Why is addressing your safety recall important?

25% Recalls are prompted by significant safety concerns, and are never repaired.

Auto makers notify all car owners by first-class mail, and your car dealer will repair the recall **FOR FREE**.



If your car has a recall, **GET IT FIXED, IT COULD SAVE A LIFE.**

Check your car for recalls at safecar.org