

Driving : Defensive Driving is the Way of Pros

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CHALLENGE

We know driving is one of the most dangerous tasks firefighters engage in. Our roadways are becoming more congested every day. As professional drivers, we must excel at defensive driving.

In order to accomplish our tasks safely we must anticipate driver errors and common mistakes. We must expect the unpredictable. When in doubt we should slow down and yield the right of way and maintain safe distances from other vehicles in our path. We must expect the unexpected. Remember, we are the pros.

Failure to do this can have deadly results!

DISCUSSION

- Let's talk about some unpredictable actions we have encountered lately.
- What did you do to prevent a collision?
- How much do you think your level of driving experience assisted in the decisions you made?
- What defensive driving techniques do you practice routinely?
- How can we transfer this knowledge to less experienced drivers?
- How can we better educate the public about safety protocols they should practice when emergency vehicles are responding to emergencies?

The greatest asset of the fire service is our people; protect them!