

# Defensive driving



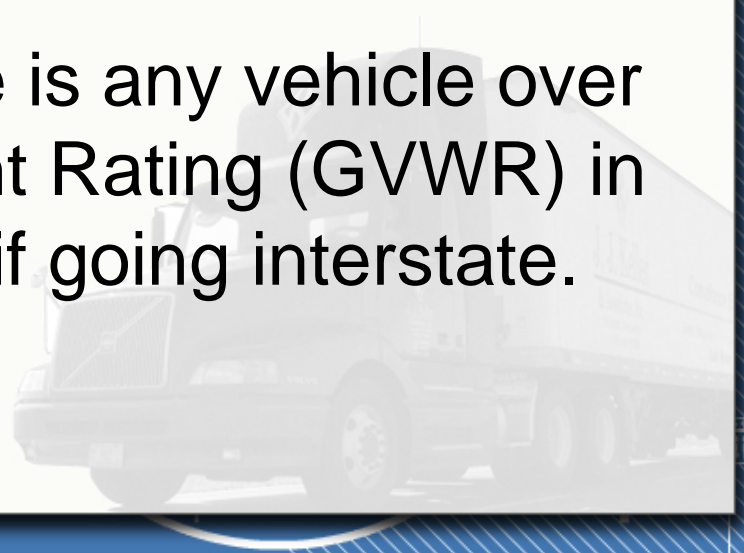
# NCC / NEW

- During your employment here, you may have the opportunity to drive a company vehicle. To drive any company vehicle you must be approved to do so.
- Proper Drivers License
- Acceptable Driving Record
- Meet Company Requirement



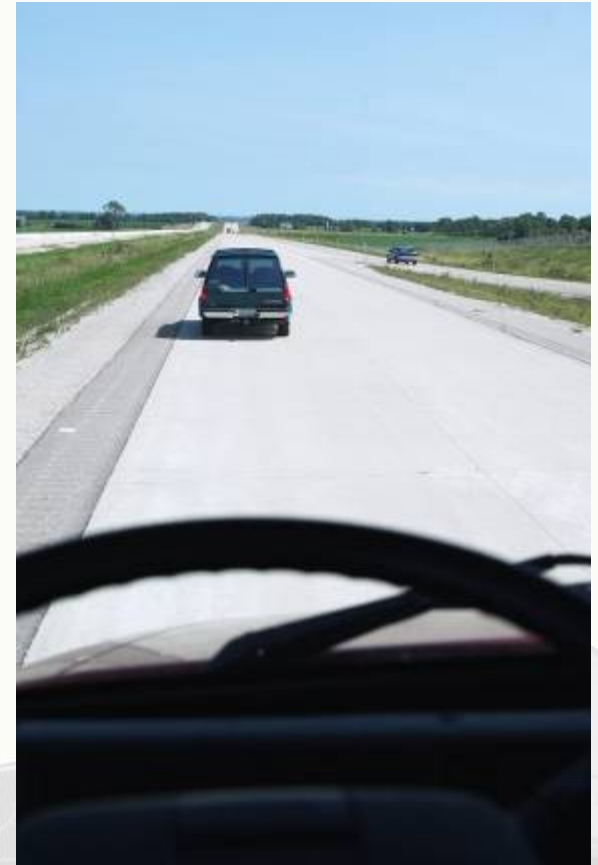
# Types of Vehicles

- If your job here will require you to drive Commercial Motor Vehicles, you will receive additional training as required by Wisconsin and Federal DOT. You must complete this requirement before you can operate these vehicles.
- A Commercial Motor Vehicle is any vehicle over 26,001 Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) in Wisconsin or 10,001GVWR if going interstate.



# Defensive driving basics

- Stay alert to changes
- Look well ahead
- Aim high



# Defensive driving basics

- Observe the entire situation
- Recognize potential hazards



# Defensive driving basics

- Decide on an appropriate response
- Carry out your plan





# Seeing and being seen

- Keep the windshield and mirrors clean /clear
- Use mirrors
- Constantly scan traffic to the front and sides



# Seeing and being seen

- Look 10 to 12 seconds ahead in the city
- Look further ahead on the highway





# Seeing and being seen

- Use mirrors before changing speed or position in traffic
- Signal all turns and lane changes



# Seeing and being seen

- Keep signal on until move is completed
- Keep lights on for safety



# City driving

- Keep your eyes moving – continually scan
- Check all mirrors
- Watch the taillights



# City driving

- Bikes and pedestrians
- Driveways, alleyways, parking lot entrances/exits
- Overhead wires, delivery vans, and dumpsters



# City driving

- Make sure there's enough space
- When stopped in traffic, wait to proceed until the vehicle ahead has moved





# City driving

- Watch your speed
- Plan your route accordingly



# Underpasses

- Avoid unmarked or low clearance underpasses
- Approach carefully – never assume the marked height is correct



# Underpasses

- Watch for signs of road repair
- Watch for “bridging”



# Underpasses

- Approach slowly
- If there isn't enough space, pull over and use another route



# Intersections

- It takes longer to cross due to additional length and slower acceleration
- At busy and unmarked intersections, stop, assume you don't have the right of way





# Intersections

- Slow down and watch for other vehicles, pedestrians, and people on bikes, inline skates, etc.



# Intersections

- When approaching a controlled intersection stop two times
- First, at the stop sign or light



# Intersections

- Second, after easing forward to a point where you can clearly see oncoming traffic



# Merging

- Size up the traffic
- Signal early
- Watch for an opening



# Merging

- Build up speed
- Watch the mirrors
- Watch for oncoming traffic





# Merging

- Signal
- Get into the turn lane as soon as possible



# Merging

- Check mirrors
- Shift down to a lower gear
- Make the exit

