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a
Brake



SAFE WORK ZONE DRIVING

- ▲ Always buckle up.
- ▲ Pay attention. Normal speed limits may be reduced, traffic lanes may be changed and people and vehicles may be working near the road.
- ▲ Always slow to posted work zone speed limits.
- ▲ Minimize distractions, such as cell phone use.
- ▲ Keep consistent with traffic flow. Make any necessary work zone merges in advance and do not weave in and out of traffic when not needed.
- ▲ Only make lane changes when necessary and use proper turn signals for lane changes.
- ▲ Keep a safe distance from cars ahead, traffic barriers, construction equipment and workers.
- ▲ Watch for and follow all warning, lane/ramp closure and construction detour signs.
- ▲ Continue to pay attention to work zone signs, even in areas of long-term road work.
- ▲ Remain calm. Remember that work zones are not there to inconvenience you- they are necessary to improve the roadway.
- ▲ Plan ahead and give yourself time to reach your destination. *Simply dial '511' or log onto www.nevadadot.com for a listing of Nevada highway construction.*

DOUBLE PENALTY in WORK ZONES



Nevada law doubles the penalty for speeding, up to \$1,000, in any marked road construction or maintenance work zone when workers are present.

NDOT: SECURING WORK ZONE SAFETY



- ▲ Protective barriers are placed in certain work zones to protect motorists, workers and equipment.
- ▲ Warning signs, lane closure alerts and flaggers are put in place where appropriate to assist motorists in safely driving through work zones.
- ▲ Potential detour routes, when available, are established and noted with signs.
- ▲ Each worker is trained about proper safety and traffic control.
- ▲ The Nevada Department of Transportation provides extensive road work information through the WWW.NEVADADOT.COM Web site:
 - A text description and map of state construction projects can be found by clicking '511 Travel Info.'
 - Large work projects have their own informational Web site that can be found under 'Major Projects.'
 - Southern Nevada construction details and detours are posted under 'Traveler Information.'
 - Work zone driving safety tips are available at www.nevadadot.com/safety.
 - Motorists can dial '511' from anywhere within Nevada to receive freeway construction information.

DID YOU KNOW? WORK ZONE FACTS



- ▲ National work zone fatality numbers provided by the U.S. Department of Transportation point to the grim fact that work zone fatalities claim nearly three lives DAILY in the U.S.:
NATIONAL WORK ZONE FATALITY NUMBERS
• 2003 work zone fatalities: 1,028 • 2004 work zone fatalities: 1,068 • 2005 work zone fatalities: 1,074
NEVADA WORK ZONE FATALITY NUMBERS
• 2004 work zone fatalities: 9 • 2005 work zone fatalities: 4 • 2006 work zone fatalities: 18
- Note: 2004 Nevada work zone fatality numbers collected prior to new data standards.
- ▲ The last NDOT employee killed in a construction zone was Frank Fuentes, who was hit by a drunk driver in Las Vegas in 1995.
- ▲ More than 80% of people killed in work zones nationwide are passengers and drivers.
- ▲ A car traveling at 60 miles per hour travels 88 feet per second. If you pass a "Road Work Ahead" sign at 60 miles per hour, you will reach that work zone in just 17 seconds.



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