

Planning a summer road trip?

Watch out for Emergency Vehicles

Summer is great time for a road trip. Remember these rules of the road: emergency vehicles displaying flashing lights and sirens always have the right-of-way. All traffic moving in both directions must stop.

ON A MULTI-LANE HIGHWAY

- slow down, signal and move to the right
- stop when safe to do so
- don't move onto the shoulder

ON A TWO-LANE ROAD

- signal and move to the right
- be clear of any intersection and stop

IN AN INTERSECTION

- all traffic must yield to emergency vehicles
- don't block the intersection
- if an emergency vehicle is behind you, don't turn left - go straight through the intersection, then pull to the right and stop

APPROACHING A STOPPED EMERGENCY VEHICLE

"Slow Down, Move Over": all traffic must slow down and leave lots of room when passing stopped vehicles with flashing lights.

TIPS

- avoid distractions
- keep volume down in your vehicle
- use your signals to alert other drivers you intend to pull over
- don't drive on or block the shoulder on freeways
- when the emergency vehicle has passed, check to make sure the way is clear and signal before merging back into traffic

For more information, see www.icbc.com/driver-licensing .