SPEEDING

Speeding endangers not only the person who is driving too fast but also any passengers that are in the car with them and other motorists on the road.

Speed also affects your safety even when you are driving at the speed limit but too fast for road conditions, such as during bad weather, when a road is under repair, or in an area at night that isn't well lit.

Speeding is more than just breaking the law. Dangerous consequences include:

- Increased risk of losing control of the vehicle
- Decreased effectiveness of safety equipment for passengers
- Longer stopping distance after perceiving danger
- Higher likelihood of more severe injuries due to increased crash severity



- Avoid the dangers of speeding and obey speed limits.
- Drive defensively. Be a cautious and courteous driver.
- Pay attention to the speed limit changes in school zones and work zones.
- Slow down when weather or any other factors may require you to adjust your driving speed.

Speeding is a type of aggressive driving behavior, and it affects other drivers, pedestrians, motorcyclists, and bicyclists. If you encounter someone else who is speeding while you are driving:

- If you are in the left lane and someone wants to pass, move over and let them by.
- Give speeding drivers plenty of space because they have the opportunity to lose control of their vehicle more easily.
- Adjust your driving accordingly. If a speeding driver is tailgating you or attempting to engage you in risky driving, use judgment to safely steer your vehicle out of the way.
- Call the police if you believe a driver is following you or harassing you.

Discussion

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Why is speeding considered aggressive driving?

What are some of the most common reasons for speeding?

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