



SAFETY BRIEF

ANIMALS IN THE ROAD

KEYS TO AVOIDING COLLISIONS

- Be extra cautious at dusk and dawn when visibility decreases and animal activity increases
- Look for posted signs that warn drivers of animal activity
- Use defensive driving skills to avoid accidents
- Use high beams when no other cars are around to illuminate the road
- Always wear your seat belt
- Have your tires and breaks checked regularly

IF AN ANIMAL RUNS IN FRONT OF YOUR VEHICLE

- Do not swerve—swerving can lead to a potentially more dangerous accident
- Expect more than one animal to appear since they often travel in groups
- Begin to gradually slow down once you spot the animal
- Turn on your hazard lights
- Be aware of other drivers on the road
- If possible, move into a different lane
- Avoid honking your horn or flashing your lights; it can startle the animal and cause further damage



AFTER A COLLISION

- Pull over to the side of the road
- Make sure your hazard lights are on
- Call 911 for help—even if there are no injuries, the police can help with traffic issues and removing the animal
- Check to see if your vehicle is safe to operate
- Document the damages and take pictures
- Talk to your insurance company



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