



JOB AID HAZARD AWARENESS INFO

MOTOR VEHICLE

Motor vehicles typically have four wheels and are powered by an internal combustion engine. The primary use of motor vehicles is to transport people and items from one location to another. It is important to recognize and avoid road hazards while driving to improve safety for yourself and others.

Hazards Involved/Arise

- Vehicle damage, defective equipment or parts
- Unfamiliar position of controls
- Static and awkward postures
- Poor seat design
- Weather elements
- Distracted driving
- Tiredness, intoxication and medications



People Affected

- Driver
- Passenger(s)
- Other drivers
- Pedestrians

Existing Controls

- Complete a visual pre-inspection checklist
- Fasten your seat belt and adjust your seat, etc., for maximum comfort and visibility
- Familiarize yourself with controls in new or rental vehicles.
- Store/secure objects that may strike or fall in a collision
- When driving long hours, make sure to take frequent stretch breaks
- Sit comfortably close to the steering wheel so that the legs are flexed and not extended straight
- Keep your hands on the wheel, and ensure you comfortably reach the pedals with your feet
- Pay attention to your surroundings, other drivers, obey speed limit, both the speed limit and driving rules and laws
- Always keep a safe distance between yourself and the next car based on road conditions
- Do not use electronic devices – such as cell phones when driving
- Ensure correct posture while driving

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