



SPEED

FACTS ABOUT SPEEDING

FACT 1: Greater potential for loss of vehicle control.

FACT 2: Reduced effectiveness of occupant protection equipment.

FACT 3: Increased degree of crash severity.

FACT 4: Speed was a factor in 20% of truck crashes with at least one large truck occupant fatality.

FACT 5: Speeding is illegal, and the related fines are highly expensive for companies.

FACT 6: Time saved is marginal compared to the increased risks and indirect accident costs.

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF:

Do you know the speed rating of your tires?

How rigorously is their inflation pressure maintained?

When was the last time your brakes had been serviced?

How do negative weather conditions affect your speed?

What kind of extra fuel is being burned?

What type of fines could you incur from speeding?

HOW FAST SHOULD YOU BE GOING?

The slower of:

- Speed limit
- Speed of traffic
- Speed allowed by weather conditions
- Speed permitted around construction sites

Reduce Speed:

- When approaching speed bumps, rough pavement, or railroad tracks
- Around curves and turns
- When approaching crosswalks
- When nearing bicyclists

STAYING VIGILANT:

Make sure you're paying attention, a reduction in speed around these areas can do a lot to avoid potential accidents.

- Entering an exit or entrance ramp
- Hauling a loaded trailer
- Narrow road sections
- Approaching blind corners, hills, and intersections
- Approaching a bridge
- Entering and exiting log yards

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DANGERS OF SPEEDING

Increased speed means decreased reaction time, these effects driving in the following ways:
Driver's ability to adjust to curves or objects in the roadway decreases.
Takes longer to stop a vehicle.
You have less control of your vehicle.

SPEED REDUCTION CAMPAIGN

Companies have saved their businesses money by implementing a speed reduction campaign!

- You save money on fuel.
- This protects your organization's financial resources.
- It also wards off potential company and personal liability.
- Increases driver productivity.

HOW TO STOP DRIVERS FROM SPEEDING

Being proactive is the best way to prevent drivers from speeding.

Have a company speed policy:

- Use management software
- Use mobile communications/ on-board computing
- Vehicle tracking devices

Monitor your driver's driving habits:

- Speeders create risks
- Vehicle acceleration, vehicle road speed & vehicle engine speed

Look for indicators from drivers:

- Past driving violations
- Cannot keep logbooks straight
- Vehicle brake maintenance issues

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