

# PestSure Safety Tips

INSURING THE FUTURE OF PEST CONTROL

**A five-minute training Series for Pest Management Professionals.**

## High Risk Driving Zones

Driving in certain areas is more hazardous than when you are out on the open freeway. Freeways are designed to eliminate many hazards simply by design. Pedestrians, animals, intersections, and slow moving traffic are all reduced to a minimum on the freeway.

Surface streets in commercial and residential areas are filled with additional hazards that make speed zones and driver alertness paramount to the safe co-existence of everyone involved.

School zones are high risk. In addition to school zones, anywhere there is a likelihood of children or increased pedestrian traffic should put you on alert to plan for the unexpected.



Ballparks	Playgrounds
Fitness Centers	Water Parks
Daycare Centers	Swimming Pools
Movie Theaters	Snow Sledding Hills
Shopping Malls	Skate Parks

When driving near a high risk area, make certain to scan all three zones to the front of your vehicle. Include your mirrors in your scan pattern. Reduce your speed and cover your brake when pedestrians are near. Sound your horn if you are uncertain that a pedestrian is aware that you are driving past. Communicate by making eye contact with anyone who is crossing the street or entering your path of travel.

### Zone Reminders

Reaction zone:	The area immediately in front of your vehicle and up to 5 seconds away
Identification zone:	That area where you can identify specific hazards and 6 to 15 seconds away
Attention zone:	16 seconds to 2 minutes away when you first recognize a potential hazard or road situation

Driving is a dynamic activity with the area hazards constantly changing. Scan your zones continuously. Work hard to keep the task of driving top of mind and be very alert to high hazard areas.