

PestSure Safety Tips

INSURING THE FUTURE OF PEST CONTROL

A five-minute training Series for Pest Management Professionals.

Safe Driving Tips

The amount of time you spend on the road during your workday requires that your driving skills are better than those of the average person. Below are some vehicle operation tips that will help you avoid vehicle accidents and become a safer driver.



?? **Cruise Control:** When your cruise control is engaged or activated, power is being applied continually to your wheels. If you are driving on wet, icy, or slushy roads, you should always disengage your cruise control so that you are able to manually adjust your speed and maintain control of your vehicle.

?? **Speed:** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration states that speeding is a factor in 30% of all fatal crashes. Your speed affects your stopping distance, your reaction capability, and your overall ability to avoid a crash. A higher rate of speed also increases the force of impact in a crash. Follow posted speed limits and adjust your speed for adverse road conditions.

?? **Sunshine:** Sunrise and sunset can greatly affect your visibility on the road. Always have a good pair of sunglasses available to help you control the glare when you are stuck driving into the sun.

?? **Windows:** Another important factor for good visibility is the condition of your vehicle window glass. A dirty windshield or one covered with snow, frost, or ice will have a negative impact on your visibility and will become even more hazardous when oncoming vehicle headlights create glare and reflections. Be certain to always have your windshield washer reservoir full.

?? **Tires:** Proper tire pressure is important for the safe handling of your vehicle and also for the life of your tires. Cooler weather can cause your tires to become under inflated. Carry a tire gauge, and check both the pressure and the condition of your tires at least monthly.



Remaining alert to driving conditions and the condition of your vehicle will help ensure that you arrive home safely at the end of each workday.