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- AIM HIGH IN STEERING
- FOLLOWING DISTANCE
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Double Check Equipment

Check horn, lights, brakes, tires and signals prior to travel.

Respect Traffic Laws

Obey speed limits and other traffic signs. Determine point of decision approaching traffic lights (a point at which you will continue should a light turn yellow).

Initiate Eye Contact

Make eye contact with pedestrians and other motorist. Use horn, lights and signals to communicate and initiate eye contact.

Visibility

Create a large window of vision. Don't let vision get blocked by large trucks.

Eyes Moving

Keep your eyes scanning, front windshield, side windows, mirrors. Don't stare.

Safest Way Out

Leave yourself options in case the unexpected happens: merging vehicles, tire blowout, etc. Know your plan of action and be prepared.

Aim High in Steering

As part of scanning, look down the road eight to twelve seconds ahead, in order to determine upcoming conditions. Aiming high allows opportunity to slow, change lanes or exit if needed. Don't look too far ahead as conditions might change before you arrive.

Following Distance

Keep a safe following distance. Keep in mind your speed, load, braking abilities, road conditions, etc.

Eliminate Distractions

Keep noise level to a minimum. Don't be distracted by radio, A/C, heat, passengers, paperwork, etc.