TAKE 5 FOR SAFETY

5-MINUTE SAFETY DRILL

Driving: Defensive Driving Always Pays

Date:_____

Student:_____

Dept:_____

Station:_____

Training Code:_____

NOTES:

CHALLENGE

We know driving is one of the most dangerous tasks firefighters engage in. Our roadways are becoming more congested every day. Issues such as weather changes, construction, holidays and tourists make it even more difficult to travel the streets and highways safely to accomplish our tasks.

As professional drivers, we must excel at defensive driving. We must expect the unpredictable. When in doubt we should slow down and yield the right of way and maintain safe distances from other vehicles in our path.

Failure to do this can have deadly results!

DISCUSSION

- Let's talk about some unpredictable actions we have encountered lately.
- What did you do to prevent a collision?
- How much do you think your level of driving experience assisted in the decisions you made?
- What defensive driving techniques do you practice routinely?
- How can we transfer this knowledge to less experienced drivers?
- How can we better educate the public about safety protocols they should practice when emergency vehicles are responding to emergencies?

The greatest asset of the fire service is our people; protect them!

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