

NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION SAFETY WEEK MAY 2-6

STOP THE ROLLING STOP





STOPPING AT INTERSECTIONS PROTECTS YOU AND SAVES LIVES.

WHY IT MATTERS - BY THE NUMBERS

- ILLEGAL MANEUVERS, SUCH AS ROLLING THROUGH STOP SIGNS AND TRAFFIC LIGHTS MAKE UP 6.8% OF INTERSECTION-RELATED CRASHES.
- 40% OF ALL TRAFFIC COLLISIONS ARE INTERSECTION-RELATED CRASHES'.

WHY DO DRIVERS DO IT?

TIGHT DEADLINES

- DRIVERS ARE UNDER INCREASING PRESSURE TO MAKE ON-TIME DELIVERIES, PERFORM MULTIPLE SERVICES A DAY AND KEEP UP WITH THE SURGE IN E-COMMERCE SHIPPING.
- ROLLING THROUGH A STOP SIGN CAN INACCURATELY SEEM TO ADD UP IN TIME SAVED.

DISTRACTIONS

• IF DRIVERS ARE DISTRACTED AND DON'T SEE AN ONCOMING STOP SIGN, THEY MIGHT WORRY THAT IT WOULD STRAIN THE BRAKES OR DAMAGE THE CARGO TO BRING THEIR LOADED VEHICLE TO A COMPLETE STOP.

ROAD FATIGUE

- DRIVERS SPEND A CONSIDERABLE TIME ON THE ROAD AND IN TRAFFIC AWAY FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS.
- DRIVERS CAN OFTEN RUSH ON THEIR ROUTES SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY WANT TO BE HOME FASTER.

BAD HABIT

• WHEN A DRIVER ROLLS THROUGH A FEW STOP SIGNS WITHOUT ANY CONSEQUENCES IT UNCONSCIOUSLY REINFORCES THE CONTINUATION OF THIS BEHAVIOR.

HOW YOU CAN BEGIN STOPPING AT INTERSECTIONS

- COMPLETELY STOPPING AT INTERSECTIONS BUYS TIME ALLOWING YOU SEE EVERYTHING IN YOUR DRIVING ENVIRONMENT AND WATCH OUT FOR POTENTIAL HAZARDS (GET THE BIG PICTURE: BE AWARE OF ANYTHING THAT COULD CREATE A COLLISION).
- BEFORE PROCEEDING THROUGH AN INTERSECTION, INSPECT THE INTERSECTION AND ANTICIPATE HAZARDS (STARTING UP AT AN INTERSECTION: HESITATE BEFORE PROCEEDING THROUGH AN INTERSECTION ALLOWING TIME TO LOOK LEFT, RIGHT AND BACK TO THE LEFT, CHECK YOU MIRRORS YOU NEVER KNOW IF ANOTHER MOTORIST WILL RUN A STOP SIGN).
- BE ESPECIALLY VIGILANT FOR PEDESTRIANS, SCOOTERS, BIKE RIDERS AND SKATEBOARDERS AS THEY MIGHT NOT BE LOOKING FOR YOU (KEEP YOUR EYES MOVING: MOVE YOUR EYES EVERY 2 SECONDS ALLOWING YOU TO OBSERVE OBJECTS AND PERSONS IN QUICK GLANCES, KEEPING YOUR MIND ALERT AND LIMITS A FIXED OR BLANK STARE).
- AT FOUR WAY STOPS BE CERTAIN THAT THE OTHER VEHICLES OR PARTIES HAVE STOPPED BEFORE PROCEEDING IN TO THE INTERSECTION (EYE CONTACT: IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU GET OTHER MOTORISTS' ATTENTION BY USING YOUR HORN, LIGHTS AND SIGNALS).