



November's Safe Driving Tip

Vehicle – Deer Crashes

Drivers should be extra cautious in the fall between
October 15 and December 15



Here are some tips to avoid a crash:

- Stay aware and awake.
- Wear your safety belts; they are your best defense in any collision
- Remember, car-deer crashes occur year-round, but be especially alert in spring and fall
- Heed deer crossing and speed limit signs. Signs are placed at known deer crossing areas to alert you of the possible presence of whitetails.
- Deer are herd animals and frequently travel in single file. If you see one whitetail cross the road, chances are there are more waiting.
- Be alert for deer, especially at dawn and dusk. If you see one, slow down.
- Don't rely on gimmicks, flashing your high-beam headlights or honking your horn to deter deer.



But, they can
happen anywhere

If a crash is unavoidable:

- Don't swerve! Brake firmly, hold onto the steering wheel and bring your vehicle to a controlled stop.
- Pull off the road, turn on your emergency flashers and be cautious of other traffic if you leave your vehicle.
- If you do hit a deer with your car, do not go near the animal
- Don't forget to report the crash right away!