

The Rules of

COMMON COURTESY

while on the road

1. **Do not** cruise or drive in the passing lane. In a multi-lane road, highway or freeway, the left lane is the passing lane. Use it to pass a slower vehicle and then return to your original lane.

2. **Do not** use cruise control when passing a vehicle. When you pass another car, do so quickly and safely.

3. **Turn off** your high beams for oncoming traffic. High beams are a helpful feature when driving at night.

Unfortunately, these bright lights can also blind drivers traveling in the opposite direction or for a driver ahead of you. If you can see a set of headlights or taillights, turn off your high beams.



4. **Keep a safe distance** from the driver ahead of you. In other words, don't tailgate. It's not only poor driving etiquette but tailgating also greatly reduces your reaction time and increases the likelihood of a collision upon sudden stops.

5. **Do not** stop at the end of on-ramps, merge with the flow of traffic. This may be difficult on days when traffic is heavy, but most on-ramps are long enough to allow you to match the flow of traffic.

6. **Always signal** before changing lanes or turning 100 feet before the turn. Turning or changing lanes without signaling can cause other motorists driving stress and potentially cause an accident.

7. **Focus on driving!** Texting, talking on the phone, eating, drinking, applying makeup or reaching for items in the backseat all distract you while driving. Keep your eyes on the road and your hands on the wheel to avoid careless accidents. This includes slowing down to look at a collision or anything else on the side of a road.

8. **Following a fender-bender**, if you're not seriously harmed as the result of an accident and the damage is minor, move your vehicle to the side of a road. Once away from traffic, you can contact the police and insurance company, as well as exchange car insurance policy information with the other driver.

Dashboard light just turned on but no idea what it means?

KEEP THIS IN YOUR CAR AS A HANDY REFERENCE!



Brake Warning



Airbag Warning



Tail Lights On



Temperature Warning



Parking Brake Light



Exterior Light Issue



Check Engine



Seat Belt Not On



Windshield Wiper Fuel Low



Oil Level Low



ABS Warning



Low Brake Fluid



Tire Pressure



Service Required



Cruise Control On



Door Open



Rear Window Defrost



Faulty Power Steering System



Hood Open



Brights On



Depress Brake Pedal



Trunk Open



Lights On



Gas Cap Missing/Loose



Battery Warning



Brake Pad Warning



Low Fuel



Message Indicator



Empire
Safety
Council

Kars 4 Kids