Take the Quiz!

ARE YOU A COURTEOUS DRIVER?

DRIVER COURTESY MONTH



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WHAT IS DRIVER COURTESY?

- Lane Courtesy--Drive Right, Pass Left
- Use your Turn Signal
- Drive a Steady Speed on the Highway
- Don't Tailgate
- Pay Attention at Stoplights--Don't multitask
- Don't Text and Drive
- Use the Zipper Merge
- Pull over for Emergency Vehicles
- Turn down bright lights when another vehicle approaches
- Use Fog lights only when there's fog
- Park between the lines
- Yield to the Right at Four-way Stops
- Control your Urge to Road Rage
- Thank other Road Users who Helped You by Waving

STORY SUGGESTIONS FOR DRIVER COURTESY MONTH

- Choose one apect from the list above and dig deep into that courteous action.
- Focus an entire week of stories on five different aspects of driver courtesy.
- Do a question a day from the *Are You a Courteous Driver?* Quiz and encourage drivers to take the quiz online at ?
- Interview motorists on the street about what they believe makes a courteous driver.
- Interview motorists on the street about what they believe does not make a courteous driver.
- Create a story about why it's vital to keep up with your driver skills long after driver's ed.
- Discuss various driving laws that might have changed in the past five years in your state.
- Do a week long focus on your state's different driving laws that have changed in the past five years for dirvers who might have learned to drive 10, 20 or even 40 years ago.

Let us know your story ideas and how we can help. You may use the *Driver Courtesy Month* **and Are You a Courteous Driver** graphics for free. Please contact NMA Communications Director Shelia Dunn for more information or an interview. She is available any time during the month of September. Call 608/849-6000 or her cell 608/515-2517 or contact her by email at <u>nma@motorists.org</u>.

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE QUIZ: ARE YOU A COURTEOUS DRIVER?

Question 1: On a limited access highway, when do you move back into the right lane?

Question 2: When you stop at a stop light, what should you be doing?

Question 3: You use your turn signals when?

Question 4: When an aggressive driver comes up behind you, what do you do?

Question 5: What should you do when you come up on slower traffic?

Check out more quiz questions and the answers by clicking<u>**HERE.</u>**</u>

ABOUT THE NMA



The <u>National Motorists Association</u> is the national advocate for drivers—in the courts, on the streets, and in their vehicles.

The NMA is a nonpartisan, grassroots organization dedicated to protecting the civil liberties of motorists. In addition to its advocacy work on behalf of the nearly 250 million licensed drivers in the United States and Canada, the NMA provides research and educational materials to improve traffic safety and related policies by informing the public.

The National Motorists Association relies on the support of its thousands of members and donations from proponents of drivers' rights. It is not funded by any special interest group (other than motorists at large) or industry.

Among the principles advocated by the NMA are:

- Traffic safety through sound engineering and hands-on driver training
- Traffic laws fairly written and reasonably enforced
- Freedom from arbitrary traffic stops and unwarranted searches/seizures
- Freedom from invasive surveillance
- Full due process for motorists
- Reasonable highway user fees for maintaining and improving roads and bridges, not for funding non-highway projects

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NMA ISSUES



Speed Limits

The NMA believes that speed limits should be based on sound traffic-engineering principles that consider motorists' reasonable and prudent travel speeds.



Automated Traffic Enfrocement



The NMA opposes the use of red-light and speed cameras. The NMA proposes engineering solutions as the real fix for intersections with high accident rates instead of red-light cameras. Speed cameras encourage artificially low speed limits and revenue-driven enforcement.

Speed Traps

Ahe NMA opposes the use of enforcement tactics that are intended to generate revenue from technical violations of underposted speed limits.



And, of course, Driver Courtesy

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