# **Animal Strikes & Road Safety**

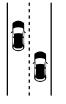
## **Tips for Young & First-Time Drivers**

# If You See an Animal on the Road



### **Slow Down:**

Ease off the gas. Animals often move unpredictably.



### **Stay In Your Lane:**

Swerving can lead to accidents with other vehicles or losing control. Brake firmly instead.



### **Use Your Horn:**

A short honk can alert the animal and sometimes encourage it to move away.



#### **Watch For More:**

Deer and other mammals often travel in groups - if one crosses, others may follow.





**Pull Over Safely:** Turn on your hazard lights and pull off the road if it's safe.



**Stay in the Car:** if the animal is large or aggressive (like a deer or injured dog) don't approach it.



**Assess the Situation:** If It's safe, check if the animal is alive or if there are injuries.



**Don't Try To Move Large Wildlife Yourself:** Call for help FWP or local authorities are
trained for these situations.



**Report the Strike:** Domesticated Animals Call a local animal control or non-emergency police number.

Wildlife (Deer, Elk, etc.): Call your State's Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP), or the non-emergency line of the local Sheriff's department.

If you or your passenger(s) are injured call 911!

Be extra alert at dawn!



# **Mental Health Tips**

Remember It's Ok to be Scared, Upset, Worried after an animal strike.

Talk to someone you trust, request outside mental health care, remember your mental health matters!

