

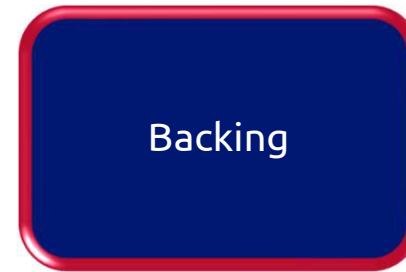


2025 Safety Focus Areas Vehicle





Required Topics & Top Areas for Improvement





#1. Backing

Spotters

- Not used, but required by CAPR 77-1
- Large vehicle (e.g., vans), obstructed visibility

Situational Awareness

- What's behind the vehicle? Bollard post? Other low-profile vehicles? People?
- Back up camera helps but should not be 100% relied on for situational awareness
- G.O.A.L. - Get Out And Look





Backing Mitigations

Eliminate the need to Back

- Pull through parking spots to eliminate backing
- Identify spots for safer backing

Spotters

- Use spotters
- Stop immediately if there is doubt or confusion

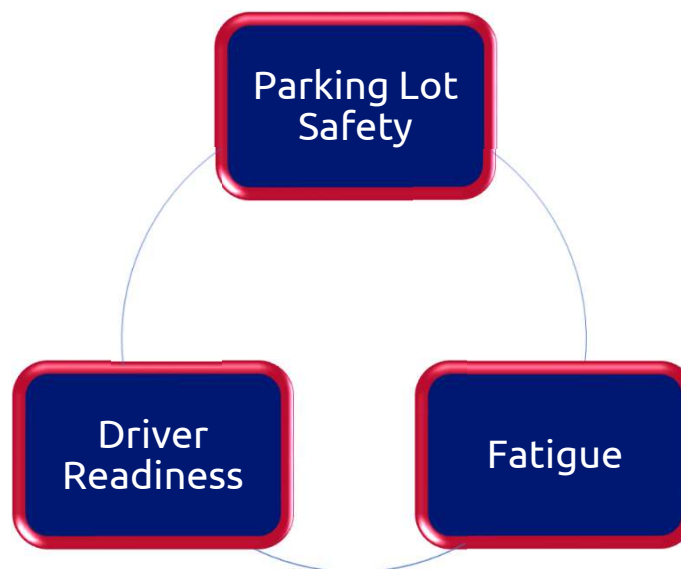
Driver Performance

- Use only drivers who have training and are checked out to operate large vehicles
- Provide training on backing
- G.O.A.L. - Get Out And Look



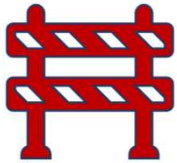


Recommended
Additional Topic





Parking Lot Safety



- Park safely away from other vehicles and obstructions, if possible.
- Leave space to exit and enter without damage to adjacent vehicles.
- Pull through parking space when possible so you can pull out instead of having to back up.





Fatigue

Long-distance Drives

- Sleepiness / drowsiness – be sure to get adequate rest
- CAPR 77-1 Section 2-1(d) I'M SAFE checklist

Pre-existing conditions / Medication

- Can exacerbate effects of fatigue
- Some are high-risk for vehicle operation





Driver Readiness

Passenger Vans

- Vans are #1 vehicle involved in SSOs
- CAPR 77-1: driver experience/familiarization is required
- If unfamiliar with vehicle, request familiarization check
- Don't drive vehicles you are not familiar with

Trailer Towing

- No passengers
- Proper connection to vehicle
- Loading safety to minimize risk of loss of control
- Vehicle characteristics when towing

Applying I'M SAFE

- Illness?
- Medication?
- Stress/Emotional State?
- Alcohol?
- Fatigue?
- Eating?
- Any of the above ***significantly*** increases safety risk!

