

GREEN DRIVING

Green driving, or “smart” driving, is a set of activities and techniques that maximize vehicle fuel efficiency and lower emissions by improving driving habits and keeping up with vehicle maintenance. There are many benefits, including improved gas mileage, reduced fuel costs, greater safety, and less stress.

The following are a few easy-to-remember activities that you can use for green driving:

- Behavior—accelerate and slow down smoothly, and maintain a steady average speed.
- Maintenance—keep your vehicle in good shape by regularly inflating tires, getting oil changes, and checking filters.
- Weight—get rid of extra weight in your vehicle by clearing out the trunk, or removing luggage racks from the roof.

NOTE: For more information, visit www.FuelEconomy.gov. Green driving is promoted by the Office of Transportation and Air Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

OTHER DANGERS

All gas-powered vehicles produce carbon monoxide. Carbon monoxide is a deadly, odorless, gas which is released out of the exhaust pipe of the vehicle. Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning may include: weariness, yawning, dizziness, nausea, headache, and/or ringing in the ears. You can prevent carbon monoxide poisoning by having the exhaust system checked regularly. Also, leave the window partially open when starting the engine, while driving the vehicle or when running the engine while parked. **Never** run the engine with your garage door closed.

WHAT A DRIVER SHOULD DO DURING AN ENFORCEMENT STOP

Acknowledge the officer’s presence by turning on your right turn signal. Activating your signal lets the officer know that you recognize their presence. An officer may become alarmed if you fail to recognize them, and might perceive that you have a reason to avoid yielding or that you might be impaired.

Move your vehicle to the right shoulder of the road. The officer will guide you using their patrol vehicle. Do not move onto the center median. Do not stop in the center median of a freeway or on the opposite side of