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Pull to the Right for Emergency Vehicles

Waco (April 10, 2018) – The city of Waco urges you to obey the law and pull over to the right so emergency vehicles such as police, the fire department and ambulances can pass safely.

Some tips on how to react when an emergency vehicle approaches you from behind:

- Slow down and check the flow of traffic around you.
- Turn on your blinker and pull over to the right, so the emergency vehicle can pass you at a safe distance.
- Make sure to come to a complete stop, so you don't cause an accident or disrupt traffic.
- Once the emergency vehicle has safely passed, turn your blinker on and pull back onto the road.
- Stay at least 500 feet behind any emergency vehicle with its lights on.

According to Texas law, drivers are required to pull over to the right until the vehicle passes no matter which direction it is coming from. The National Safety Commission, studies show that although most drivers are unaware of these laws, law enforcement officials are enforcing them by ticketing anyone who does not slow down or move over.

The city of Waco wants to make sure you are aware of this law, so when you encounter an emergency vehicle you will know the appropriate actions to make. The WCCC-TV production staff has created a PSA to demonstrate how failing to pull over can impact lives. To view the PSA video click on this link [City of Waco You Tube channel](#) or on our [Facebook](#) page.

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