

Oh, Deer!

MN Department of Administration

While the temperatures drop and leaves change color, it's also that time of year when drivers are more likely to encounter deer - especially during the morning and evening commutes. Deer movement is at its peak as hunting season is here.

Tips to Avoid Deer Crashes

- Don't swerve or veer to avoid a deer. This can cause you to lose control and travel off the road or into oncoming traffic.
- Watch for the reflection of deer eyes and for deer silhouettes on the shoulder of the road.
- Use your headlight high beams as much as possible at night.
- Don't rely on devices - Items like deer whistles, deer fences, and reflectors have not proven effective at deterring deer crossing roadways.
- Watch for road signs that identify areas more populated with deer - slow down!
- Drive at safe speeds and always be buckled-up.

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Trucking Insurance 101

This year, Truck Writers has chosen *Trucking Insurance 101* as its blog series. The goal is to help educate those within the trucking industry on the various required and optional trucking insurance coverages. Here is a Fall blog post that you may have missed:

Brokerage Coverage Options

Kevin Kearney

A Broker who understands its industry, exposures, and available coverage options can certainly minimize its risks. [Find Out More.](#)



A Note About OSHA and Safety Compliance

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The Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") has recently provided guidance for safety-minded companies in the form of advice as well as citations issued. The guidance may not be all-encompassing, but it can nevertheless provide helpful assistance in various areas of an overall commitment to safety.

Lesson 1: OSHA has not abandoned jurisdiction over transportation industry employers.

Lesson 2: Training could provide the difference not only in preventing an injury, but also in avoiding or limiting a citation where training is required or even in the event an injury occurs.

Lesson 3: Safety incentive programs and drug testing are good things, provided they do not unnecessarily discourage injury reporting.

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