## NDSP \& IRHS Driver Proficiency Workshop

Evasive Maneuver Exercises

## Stopping/Following Distances



$\square$ Reaction Distance $\square$ Braking Distance

## Habits to Improve Perception

## Use a SYSTEMATIC SEARCH PATTERN.

- Search in meaningful groups
1.Traffic Controls


## 2.Highway Conditions

3.Other

Users
Be Ready, Be Safe, Be Responsible

## Search Systems \& Processes



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## Predict: <br> The level of risks

Decide:
Actions that need to be taken in 4-5 sec.

## Execute <br> your decision

## Search

$>$ Use visual search pattern and selective seeing
> Keep your eyes moving
> Leave yourself an "out"
$>$ Look far ahead (at least 12 seconds)
$>$ Look through curves

## Identify

$>$ Specific clues
$>$ Other roadway users
$>$ Roadway features and conditions
$>$ Traffic controls
$>$ Condition of your vehicle

## Predict

$>$ Actions of other roadway users
> Control of your vehicle
Consequences of your actions
>Use judgement, knowledge, and experience

## Decide

## $>$ Change speed $>$ Change direction >Communicate

## Execute

$>$ Accelerate
$>$ Brake
> Steer
Communicate
Combined actions


Serpentine


## Procedures

A. Use steering at 9 and 3 position
B. Steer to center area between cones
C. Maintain steady speed

1. start at 15 mph
2. increase speed at 5 mph intervals to maximum level....20-25mph
D. Traction is lost as speeds increase

## Skill Techniques

- Visual
A. Use the middle of area between cones as visual cue
B. Keep eyes moving to the next cue area when you cannot see the initial cue
C. Finish exercise by looking at the center of the exit area
- Motion
A. Do not fluctuate speed
B. Steady pressure with heel of foot at base of accelerator
C. Try not to brake
D. Each try should be at a slightly higher speed
- Steering
A. Start at 9-3 position
B. Move steering wheel until you feel touch of arms... 180 degrees (forearm bump)
C. Movements should be smooth and directed


## Serpentine

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## Procedures

A. Speed is set before entering curve...20-35mph
B. Look through the curve to the apex point
C. Accelerate to speed as you are able to see your way out of the curve

## Skill Techniques

Visual
A. Use OUTSIDE of lane as guide in entering curve
B. Move eyes quickly through the curve to the apex
C. Visually track your path of travel out of the curve

1. this gives an indication of when to use accelerator
2. important to keep a good visual track as it will keep you in your lane position

## Motion

A. Speed set before entering curve
B. Try not touch brake in curve
C. Use accelerator to monitor speed through curve
D. Accelerate as you exit the curve

## Steering

A. You will need hand over hand steering
B. Steering may remain at 9 and 3 depending on speeds

## Constant Corners - Proper Vehicle Set-Up



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## Evasive Lane Change-Left, Right, Stop



## Controlled Braking with Lane Change

## Procedures

A. Approach exercise between $20-30 \mathrm{mph}$
B. Use 9 and 3 steering technique
C. Decide which direction to move at instructor's command
D. Use control braking to slow vehicle down

## Skill Techniques

## Visual

A. Move eyes to follow lane position...lane 1 or 2
B. Look in the lane position rather than at cones

## Motion

- Keep foot on accelerator until instructor gives direction...lane 1 or 2
- Use a controlled hard brake w/o skid; braking occurs with steering movements
- Stay on brake until vehicle comes to a complete stop between lanes 1 and 2


## Steering

- Use 9 and 3 steering technique to enter the lane change
- Technique should be bump (touch arms)...bump
(touch arms)..straighten (center steer)


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Skid Pad

## Skid Control

- One out of every four accidents involve skidding.
- Skidding results from changes in speed or direction that are too abrupt for road surface conditions
- Your ability to control skidding is critical in reducing the likelihood and severity of a collision.
- The most critical elements in skid control is to manipulate the brake to avoid locking the wheels and to maintain steering control.


## Skid Exercises

## Four Wheel Lock-up

- Demonstrate that locked-sliding wheels can't be steered.
- Demonstrate that locked-sliding wheels go further than controlled braking.


## Controlled Braking-Straight Line

- Maximum braking without locking wheels
- Demonstrate stopping distance is shorter than when wheels were locked and sliding.
- If lock-up occurs, release pressure slightly on brake and squeeze again (DO NOT pump the brakes).


## Uncontrolled Skid

- Demonstrate an uncontrolled skid.
- Demonstrate that locked-sliding wheels will always want to lead.


## Skid Exercises Cont...

## Skid Control

Rear Wheels will begin to skid and want to lead.

1. Steer in a direction you want to go,
2. Remove foot from gas.
3. (DO NOT brake)
4. As vehicle begins to respond to your steering, stop and begin steering in the other direction.
5. As the vehicle is stabilized, use the controlled braking and stop.

## Controlled Braking With Evasive Lane Change

1. Initiate controlled braking.
2. Steer into the center lane and stop vehicle.


## What is ABS?

-Each wheel is individually monitored by computer,
-does not allow the wheels to lock-up and slide when the brakes are applied.

## What ABS Doesn't Do

- It DOESN'T shorten reaction distance or braking distance.
- It DOESN'T defy the laws of physics.
- It DOESN'T improve action time.
- It DOESN'T change the driver's response to recover from a skid.


## ABS Malfunction

-ABS Symbol on Dash Panel
-Conventional Brakes take over

## ABS Exercises

Straight-line Braking
Braking and Evasive Steering

New Maneuver - STOP COMMAND on Skid Pad



