

# Driver Safety Tips for the Fourth of July

## 1 Back to the Basics

Buckle up every time you get in a car. Stay away from alcohol if you are going to be driving, obey the speed limit and other rules of the road, and be courteous.

## 2 Take Care of Your Car

Make sure all your fluids are topped off, your tires are properly inflated and ensure that all cables and belts are tightened and in working order.

## 3 Look at the Timing

Try to avoid traveling on the holiday itself, as it is typically safer to travel in the days leading up to and the days following the holiday.

## 4 Stay Alert

Avoid being distracted. Don't eat, drink or talk on your phone. If your passengers are distracting you, ask them to tone it down.

## 5 Stay Awake

If you drive while you are too tired to do so, you can easily cause a car accident. Don't drive if you did not get enough sleep.

## 6 Know Your Route

If you are going somewhere you've never been, take the time to learn your route. Don't solely rely on your GPS while you are driving.

## 7 Don't Drink and Drive

If you are drinking, use a ride sharing service, choose a designated driver or use public transportation. Don't put yourself and others in harm's way.

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