

Don't barrel through **Work Zones!**

Drive Smart.



**Drive Smart in work zones
to Arrive Alive.**



Missouri Department of Transportation
888-ASK-MoDOT (275-6636)
www.modot.org

Don't barrel through **Work Zones!**

In 2010 MoDOT will focus on improving roads and bridges, which means motorists will encounter numerous work zones when traveling around the state. More than 250 bridges are scheduled for construction this year under MoDOT's Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program, a statewide effort to repair or replace more than 800 of Missouri's worst bridges by the end of 2013. Almost all of the bridges will be closed to speed up construction and control costs. Drivers should consult the Safe & Sound interactive map for construction schedules, detour routes and other project details.

Statewide, work continues on a number of economic stimulus projects, as well as the Better Roads, Brighter Future program that is improving 5,600 miles of roadway by the end of 2011.

To keep everyone safe, MoDOT is managing and improving work zones in many ways. We've enhanced work zone warning signs to make them more visible to motorists. We've also added a new online work zone report card that allows anyone to visit MoDOT's Web site to rate a work zone. In addition, MoDOT provides an online map with work zone information to help you plan your trip.

We're working hard to keep motorists safe, but we need your help. Please watch for signs, be alert and don't barrel through work zones.

- In 2009, 13 people were killed in work zones, an increase from 2008 when 12 people were killed.
- There were 670 people injured in 2009 work zones, compared to 599 in 2008. This is a increase of 11.9 percent.
- Between 2005 and 2009, 64 people were killed and 4,260 people were injured in Missouri work zones.
- Since 2000, 15 MoDOT employees have been killed in the line of duty.
- The top five contributing circumstances for work zone crashes in 2009 were inattention, following too closely, improper lane usage/change, too fast for conditions and failure to yield - in this order.
- Your best defense in a work zone crash, or any crash is a seat belt. In 2009, of the 878 traffic fatalities, 693 were vehicle occupant fatalities. 67 percent were not wearing a seat belt.

A large, orange diamond-shaped sign with a black border and a black shadow. The sign contains the text "ROAD WORK AHEAD" in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters, arranged in three lines: "ROAD", "WORK", and "AHEAD".

ROAD
WORK
AHEAD