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## Move Over Law



Effective January 1, 2010, motorists driving on the freeway are required to “*move over or slow down*” when approaching a marked Department of Transportation vehicle that is stopped and displaying flashing amber warning lights.

This law also requires motorists to move over or slow down when passing a stopped tow truck displaying flashing amber lights, or authorized emergency vehicles (i.e. fire truck, ambulance, or CHP vehicle) displaying emergency lights.

***Motorists are to approach with caution.*** If driving in the lane closest to the stopped emergency vehicle, drivers are to make a lane change if traffic conditions permit and it is safe to do so, unless otherwise directed by a peace officer. If it is not safe to make a lane change, motorists are required to slow down to a safe speed. Failure to “move over or slow down” may result being cited by law enforcement and fined fifty (50) dollars.

