

5. Apparatus shall come to a complete stop at intersections where a stop sign or red light is encountered. The operator may proceed only when the other drivers have yielded the right of way and it is safe to do so.
6. When it is necessary to make left hand turns across stopped vehicles, come to a complete stop and advance cautiously after the other drivers have yielded the right of way.
7. Apparatus should pass traffic on the left hand side. Extreme caution should be exercised when conditions dictate a deviance from passing on the left hand side is necessary.
8. Avoid travelling in opposing traffic unless you are certain traffic is clear.
9. Red lights and siren should only be utilized when responding to emergency incidents. All warning devices of the apparatus should be utilized to increase vehicle visibility to avoid accidents.

Backing

1. The operator should reduce the occasion to back, if possible, by using one way traffic patterns or spotting the apparatus for forward exiting.
2. A spotter shall be used whenever possible. Clear communication (verbally and/or hand signals) is necessary between the driver and the spotter.
3. The ultimate responsibility for the apparatus lies with the driver. If unsure, the driver should get out to look at the backing area.
4. The spotter should be 8 to 10 feet behind the apparatus on the driver's side and maintaining eye contact with the driver. If the driver loses sight of the spotter, the apparatus should stop and wait until communication is reestablished.
5. If a spotter is not available, the operator should get out and survey the backing area. Consideration should be given to overhead and width clearance, soft shoulder and damage to roadways or driveways due to apparatus weight.