

When You Hear a Siren



To help firefighters and paramedics get to an emergency more quickly remember, when you hear a siren:

- Look in all directions for emergency vehicles as you plan your next move. Be aware there may be more than one responding crew.
- If you are at a green traffic light, look for emergency vehicles before proceeding through the intersection.
- Never stop in an intersection. Continue through the intersection and then drive to the right as soon as possible.
- Don't slam on your brakes.
- Don't pull over suddenly.
- Use your blinker to show emergency crews the direction you are moving.
- On the freeway, carefully move out of the lane used by emergency crews; again, use your blinker.
- Don't try to outrun the emergency vehicle.
- It is illegal to follow within 300 feet of any emergency vehicle when it is answering an emergency call.
- Don't stop in a place where the emergency vehicle can't get around you.
- You must follow any traffic direction or signal given to you by a police officer or firefighter, even if it conflicts with existing signs, signals or laws.
- After the crew passes, carefully merge back into traffic.
- Anyone driving to the scene of a fire, accident or other emergency merely for sight-seeing purposes may be arrested.

The City of Casper Fire-EMS's emergency crews are seeing a growing number of motorists who don't yield for the lights and sirens of fire engines and ambulances. It's not only unlawful to impede the response of emergency vehicles; you could be delaying life-saving medical help.

Please contact the City of Casper Fire-EMS CRR Division at 307-235-8222 if you have any questions.