

# Work Zone Safety

*Everyone plays an important role!*

Join us as we recognize National Work Zone Awareness Week April 20-24.

According to the Federal Highway Administration, in 2018 there were 671 fatal work zone crashes with 754 fatalities. Those statistics demonstrate the importance of practicing safe driving while passing through work zones.

**Remember:** Minnesota law requires motorists who come upon stopped vehicles with lights flashing to move over an entire lane. This includes ambulance, fire, law enforcement, maintenance, construction vehicles, utility vehicles, and tow trucks. If you are unable to do so, you must reduce speed.



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# Planting Safety


It's easy to get caught up in the rush of spring planting, cleaning, and construction and forget about electrical safety.

## **This spring, remember:**

- Tall or cumbersome equipment can easily come in contact with overhead power lines, creating an electrocution threat to everyone below.
- As a general rule of thumb, keep all objects at least 10 feet away from overhead power lines and call before you dig to avoid underground lines.
- Be extra careful when working around trees and brush, they often make it difficult to see electrical hazards.



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