



New Jersey Division  
Of Fire Safety

FIRE SAFETY FACTS

**KNOW BEFORE YOU GO...**

**A WELL MAINTAINED  
VEHICLE IS THE BEST WAY  
TO PREVENT AN AUTO FIRE**

**KEEP THE INTERIOR  
TRASH AND  
CLUTTER FREE**

**INSTALL AFTERMARKET  
PARTS CORRECTLY**

**DO NOT TRANSPORT  
FLAMMABLES**

**USE SEATBELTS**

**FINALLY DO NOT DRINK  
AND DRIVE**

**A FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE FROM  
THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE  
SAFETY AND YOUR LOCAL FIRE SERVICE**



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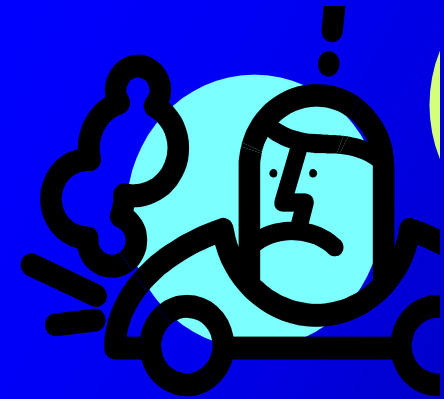
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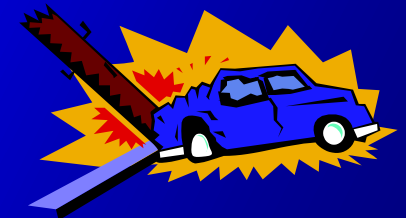
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**VEHICLE FIRES**

**WHAT YOU CAN DO**





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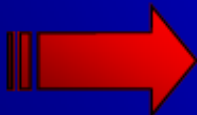


**THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE  
SAFETY STATISTICS...**

**11 PERSONS DIED IN  
VEHICLE FIRES IN 2011**

**81 PERCENT OF ALL VEHICLE FIRES  
WERE PASSENGER VEHICLES**

The risks from motor vehicle fires are often overlooked. Toxic gases and other hazardous substances, along with flying debris and explosions, can combine to produce serious dangers. In the event of a motor vehicle fire, follow these important steps!



# VEHICLE FIRES...WHAT YOU SHOULD DO



**IF YOU NOTICE A BURNING  
ODOR CHECK TRAFFIC AND  
MOVE TO THE SIDE OF THE  
ROAD. TURN OFF THE VEHICLE.**

**IF YOU DO SUSPECT A FIRE DO  
NOT OPEN THE HOOD, THAT WILL CAUSE A RUSH OF  
AIR THAT MAY ENLARGE AN EXISITING FIRE.**

**QUICKLEY GET AWAY FROM THE  
VEHICLE. ONCE YOU HAVE DO  
NOT GO BACK . CALL 911.**



**IF THE VEHICLE IS IN A GARAGE  
OR OTHER STRUCTURE GET OUT  
OF THE BUILDING IMMEDIATELY.**



**DO NOT ATTEMPT TO PUT  
THE FIRE OUT YOURSELF.  
USE YOUR AUTO INSURANCE  
NOT LIFE INSURANCE. LET THE  
FIREFIGHTERS DO THEIR JOB.**