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## Guide To Safe Driving <br> In Korea <br> (English)



## FOREWORD

The information contained in this pamphlet is largely based on the "Manual for Safe Driving" prepared by the Korean Road Traffic Safety Authority. Regulatory requirements contained herein are from the Korean Road Traffic Law and DOD and USFK directives.

There must be a logical explanation why driving in Korea is more difficult than in the U.S. At first glance, you can clearly see that there are many vehicles and too few roads to handle the traffic in an orderly manner. This situation may be the reason taxis and other vehicles drive aggressively, weaving in and out of traffic. Buses and heavy trucks are required to use the extreme right lanes or designated bus lanes but very often wander into the other lanes.

In addition, experience is a factor that affects driving in Korea. Other nationalities such as Americans have been driving for many years. As a result, they have developed and learned safe habits when around motor vehicles. In Korea, the motor vehicle growth was sudden, therefore Koreans have not developed the safe habits found in the U.S. or other nations.

On every road in Korea, you can expect to find people. On expressways, extra caution is required around road construction sites. Maintenance workers are prone to step into the path of traffic and drivers must be prepared to stop immediately. Also watch out for workers when going through tunnels and toll gates.

There are many pedestrians in Korea. Traditionally, they feel that they have as much right to the use of roads as vehicles, and therefore expect vehicles to yield to them. This behavior creates a real hazard for you as a driver. It is wise to reduce speed when driving around pedestrians, especially children. Many Korean children have a preconceived notion that by raising their arms a vehicle will stop to allow them to cross the street. Watch out for them and be prepared to stop. Pedestrians also become confused while crossing roads, often stopping suddenly and then moving into the paths of moving vehicles. A common occurrence is for pedestrians to run or walk into traffic lanes from the front or rear of halted or parked vehicles and other blind spots.

Although much of Korea is using motor vehicles as a means of transportation, there are still some people who rely on other more economical means of transportation. Even more unpredictable and hazardous are bicycles and motorcycles. They are usually overloaded and unstable. Slow down and give them lots of room, as the operators are noted for weaving into the paths of passing vehicles and passing on the right.

Other hazards on Korea roadways are created by nature. Two of the more notable ones are potholes, created by the winter freezing and thawing process, and flooding. Slow down and avoid potholes if you can. Potholes damage tires, oil pans, or even entire cars.

Driving in Korea is truly a challenge. Relax, be calm, be alert, and drive defensively!

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## SECTION I. GENERAL

1. PURPOSE. This pamphlet provides essential information for USFK personnel operating motor vehicles in the Republic of Korea (ROK).
2. SCOPE. This pamphlet applies to all USFK personnel operating motor vehicles in the ROK.

## SECTION II. DRIVING RULES

## 3. TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND DIRECTIONS.

a. Drivers must obey traffic signals and directions.
(1) Drivers must obey signal lights, traffic signs, and directions given by a traffic police officer or assistant traffic controller.
(2) When a police officer is directing traffic, drivers should follow the hand signals or the flashlight signal by the police officer even if they are contradictory to traffic signals. Manual control by the police takes priority.
b. Traffic signal lights and their meaning.
(1) Red signal--
(a) Vehicles must come to a complete stop before reaching the stop line, pedestrian crosswalk, or intersection.
(b) A vehicle may turn right, provided it will not interfere with a pedestrian or right-of way vehicle.
(2) Yellow signal--A driver must come to a complete stop before reaching the stop line, a pedestrian crosswalk, or an intersection. If a driver is already in the intersection, he or she must proceed as quickly as possible when safe.
(3) Green signal--Driver may either go straight ahead or turn right. No left turn may be made unless otherwise directed.
(4) Green arrow signal--Driver may go in the direction of the green indicator.
(5) Lane direction and control signals--when lane direction control signals are placed over separate lanes of a street or highway, vehicular traffic may travel in any lane over which a green signal is lighted but will not enter or travel in any lane where a red signal is displayed.

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(6) Reversible Lane Signals--Within certain areas of major cities, the overhead $X$ and downward arrow signal devices are used where the direction of heavy traffic volume changes during certain peak hours of the day. These signals override the lane marks/centerline on the pavement.
(a) Red X Light---Vehicles will not use the lane shown with red X signal.
(b) Green Downward Arrow--Vehicles may proceed in the lane shown with green arrow light.
(7) Flashing red (stop signal). Drivers of vehicles must stop at the marked stop line. If there is no line, a stop must be made before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or at the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway. The right to proceed is subject to the rules applicable after making a stop.
(8) Flashing yellow (caution signal). Drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection while exercising due caution.

## 4. TRAFFIC LANES.

a. When traffic lanes are marked, drivers must stay in the lane for the type of vehicle is permitted. Drivers may not drive over the lane divider line.
b. Examples of improper driving involving traffic lane markings are--
(1) Violation of lane usage.
(2) Straddling the lane divider line.
(3) Zigzagging over the lane divider.
(4) Changing lanes suddenly.
(5) Squeeze play.
(6) Continuously crossing many lanes.

(7) Changing lanes where prohibited. Yellow dotted or solid lines are centerlines. Vehicles may not cross the solid lines. Where solid and dotted lines are shown together, a vehicle on the side of dotted lines may cross the lines to pass. White dotted or solid lines are lane dividers. A vehicle may not cross a solid lane divider to change lanes.
c. Changing of lanes--
(1) Drivers must use directional signal at least 30 meters prior to turning (100 meters on the expressway).
(2) Drivers must not change directions where prohibited by traffic signs.
(3) Changing lanes is prohibited when--
(a) There is insufficient distance to do so safely.
(b) Within 70 meters from the stop line at an intersection.
d. Bus lane.
(1) The bus lane (in cities) has been established to limit traffic. It is marked by a blue line and it designates a lane to be used only by scheduled buses during rush hours. Supplemental signs normally show the time when no vehicles other than buses will travel in the lane. At intersections the bus lane will have a broken or dash lines, vehicles other than buses may enter this bus lane to make a right turn or to immediately exit the main street.
(2) Median (center) bus lane in Seoul is marked in red and it designates a lane to be used
 only by buses 24 hours a day. Do not use this lane for any reason. Drivers can only make U-turns at intersections where designated signs are posted.
(3) Bus lanes on the expressway (between Seoul to Shintanjin expressway only) have been designated to be used only by buses and 9-passenger vans having (at least 6 passengers) on weekends and holidays. It also is marked by a blue line.

| Day | Seoul $\longleftrightarrow$ Shintanjin | Time |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Saturday | Both directions | $0900-2100$ |
| Sunday and Holiday | Shintanjin to Seoul | $0900-2300$ |
|  | Seoul to Shintanjin | $0900-2100$ |

e. Unprotected left turns.
(1) An unprotected left turn is allowed only where the pertinent sign is installed.
(2) An unprotected left turn is allowed when your signal is green and when there is sufficient clearance between you and the opposing traffic. In case of traffic conflict, however, the responsibility for signaling falls onto left-turning vehicles.
f. A vehicle must travel over the lane designated by type of vehicle. The example given below is a road with 3 lanes (one-way).


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| 3 Lanes <br> (One-way) | 1st Lane | Sedans, station wagons, 1.5 ton and <br> below pickup trucks and vehicles of <br> similar design and function. |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2nd lane | Sedans, station wagons, 1.5 ton and <br> over pickup trucks, trucks, and buses. |
|  | 3rd lane | Motorcycles, bicycles, carts, and trucks <br> towing trailers or other construction <br> trucks. |

## 5. RIGHT-OF-WAY.

a. When an authorized emergency vehicle approaches, sounding a siren and/or showing a flashing light, all traffic is required to yield the right-of-way by moving as far to the right side of the road as possible and stopping until the emergency vehicle has passed. Don't stop in an intersection.
b. Right-of-way laws define who has the right of way. NEVER INSIST ON TAKING THE RIGHT-OF-WAY. Wait until it is yielded to you. All drivers have a moral and legal responsibility to avoid a collision. Courtesy and cooperation among drivers helps prevent accidents and makes driving more pleasant.
c. At intersections without STOP or YIELD signs or traffic signals--
(1) The first vehicle in the intersection should be allowed to go ahead.
(2) If two drivers reach an intersection from different streets at the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the left must give the right-of-way to the vehicle on the right.
(3) When you see a vehicle crossing or beginning to cross the road you are driving on, slow down, prepare to stop, and let it go ahead.
d. Yield the right-of-way to faster moving vehicles. Regardless of the speed at which you are traveling, you must not obstruct another driver so he cannot pass. When driving on a roadway wide enough for more than one line of vehicles in your direction of travel, you must move out of the left hand lane when another vehicle is close behind you and trying to pass. Vehicles which must move at slower speeds must travel in the lane farthest to the right or in a lane marked for them by signs.
e. Right-of-way is defined by road condition.
(1) On a narrow inclined road, the descending vehicle has right-of-way. Ascending vehicle must pull over to the right.
(2) On a narrow road, a vehicle with passengers or cargo has the right-of-way. Unloaded vehicle must pull over the right.

6. SPEED LIMITS. Speed limits in this paragraph do not apply to official USFK vehicles. (See section V for official USFK vehicle speed limits.) Speed limits established by the law must be observed. Often the speed limit is set by individual traffic signs. When these signs are used, the speed limit indicated must be observed.
a. Speed reduction during inclement weather. Vehicle operator should reduce speed by 20 to 50 percent when driving in snow, fog, ice, or rain.
b. Speed and force of impact. (Pictorial comparison)


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c. Speed limit for local roads and expressways.

| Type of Road |  | Speed Limit | Type of Vehicle |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ordinary Road | One to two lanes | $60 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}(37 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr})$ | Ordinary/small passenger vehicles, vans, buses |
|  | More than two lanes | $80 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}(50 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr})$ | Ordinary/small passenger vehicles, vans, buses |
| Urban expressways | Exclusive motorway | Maximum: $90 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}(56 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr})$ <br> Minimum: <br> $30 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}(19 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr})$ | Ordinary/small passenger vehicles, vans, buses, cargo vehicles, |
| Expressways (All Except for the Chungbu Expressway) | Two or more lanes | Maximum: $100 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ( $62 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ) <br> Minimum: $50 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$ (31 M/Hr) | Ordinary/small passenger vehicles, vans, buses. <br> * Maximum speed limit for trucks, construction vehicles, and special types of vehicle is $\mathbf{8 0}$ $\mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$. |
|  | Single lane | Maximum: $80 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$ (50M/hr) <br> Minimum: $40 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ( $25 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ) | Ordinary/small passenger vehicles, van, buses, cargo vehicle, construction vehicle, special types of vehicle |
| Chungbu <br> Expressway \#10 <br> (Seoul-Daejon) <br> Chungang <br> Expressway \#55 <br> (Chunchon-Daegu) |  | Maximum: $110 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ( $66 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ) <br> Minimum: $60 \mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ( $37 \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{Hr}$ ) | Ordinary/small passenger vehicles, vans, buses, and cargo vehicle. <br> * Maximum speed limit for trucks, construction vehicles, and special types of vehicles is 90 $\mathrm{Km} / \mathrm{Hr}$. |

d. METRIC SYSTEM. The metric system is used in Korea. Speed limit or distance is shown in meters or kilometers rather than miles or feet. For a quick mental conversion, multiply kilometers by . 6 for approximate miles, or multiply miles by 1.6 for approximate kilometers (e.g., $40 \mathrm{~km} \times .6=24$ miles, or 30 miles $\times 1.6=48$ kilometers). The chart below shows approximate equivalents of common measurements used in driving.

| FEET | METERS | MILES | KILOMETERS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0.3048 | 1 | 1.6093 |
| 10 | 3 | 10 | 16 |
| 15 | 4.6 | 15 | 24 |
| 100 | 30 | 19 | 30 |
| 200 | 61 | 25 | 40 |
| 300 | 91 | 31 | 50 |
| 400 | 122 | 37 | 60 |
| 500 | 152 | 43 | 70 |
|  |  | 50 | 80 |
|  |  | 55 | 88 |
|  |  | 62 | 100 |

## 7. PASSING.

a. Method of passing.
(1) To alert vehicles ahead, driver must indicate in advance the intention to pass.
(2) Driver must pass to the left of a vehicle traveling in the same direction. Safe passing must be accomplished after insuring adequate clearance and the speed of vehicles in front of, to the rear of, and on-coming traffic.
b. Places where passing is prohibited.
(1) On or near the top of steep grades.
(2) On curves.


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(3) Descending lane on a steep incline.
(4) Inside a tunnel.
(5) Intersections.
(6) Where prohibited by traffic signs.
8. DRIVING THROUGH INTERSECTIONS.
a. Method of entering.
(1) Vehicles turning right must first move slowly to the lane nearest the right hand curb.
(2) Vehicles turning left must do so from the left hand edge of the lane closest to the centerline and from the center point of the intersection.
(3) Vehicles turning or going straight must move slowly to the appropriate lane at least 70 meters prior to the white line at the intersection.
b. Pedestrians. Pedestrians have the right-of -way at intersections and marked pedestrian crosswalks.
(1) Drivers will yield to pedestrians crossing at green crossing signals.

(2) Drivers will yield to pedestrians crossing the road at or near intersections where traffic is not being controlled.
c. Extreme caution must be employed when entering into intersections after a traffic signal has changed from red to green.

## 9. VEHICLE LIGHTS.

a. Requirements.
(1) Vehicles must have headlights, clearance lights, taillights, and license plate light lit when driving at night. (Night is defined as a half hour after sunset until a half hour before sunrise.)
(2) When objects cannot be seen within 100 meters during the day due to inclement weather, lights must be turned on the same as if driving at night. When driving through fog, it is best to use low beams.
b. Use of low beams.
(1) When traveling through a high density traffic area at night, low beams must be continuously used.
(2) When encountering on-coming traffic at night, dim the headlights to prevent other drivers from being blinded.
(3) When a vehicle is stopped or parked on the roadway at night, parking lights or clearance lights must be on.

## 10. DRIVER RESPONSIBILITIES.

a. Splashing. When driving in wet areas, drivers must not splash mud or water on pedestrians.
b. Protection of children and the blind. When an unaccompanied child or a blind person with a white cane is walking on the road, the vehicle must come to a complete stop.

c. Protection of pedestrians at crosswalks. When a pedestrian is in a crosswalk, vehicles must stop completely. Slow down and prepare to stop when approaching a stopped or parked vehicle near a crosswalk. Pedestrians may be crossing in front of the stopped or parked vehicle.
d. Do not pass or overtake a school bus or shuttle bus when buses are being used to receive or deliver passengers, as indicated by flashing lights or directed observation. Vehicles traveling in either direction of a stopped school bus/shuttle bus must stop.
e. Driver attendance. When leaving a vehicle, drivers must make sure that the motor is turned off, the parking brake is set, and the vehicle is locked so that it cannot be driven by another person.
f. Use of horns. The use of horns is prohibited in designated areas within major cities.

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g. Safety restraint usage.
(1) All occupants of Government-owned vehicles, privately owned vehicles used for official business, or any vehicle operated on a Federal installation, will wear manufacturerinstalled restraint systems.
(2) All USFK personnel will wear manufacturer-installed restraint systems at all times while driving or riding in a POV, both on and off any USFK installation.
(3) Individuals will not ride in seats from which manufacturer-installed occupant restraint systems have been removed or rendered inoperative.
(4) Drivers are responsible to have front and rear seat passengers wear seat belts.
h. Alcohol and drugs. Driving while under the influence of drugs or alcohol is prohibited. The legal limit of intoxication is 0.5 mg ( $0.05 \%$ ) or more of alcohol per 1 ml of blood.
i. Distractions. Operators of vehicles must pay strict attention while driving. As such, vehicle operators must not wear commercial headsets/headphones or earplug radios. Drivers must also not eat or smoke while driving.
j. Use of cellular phones while operating any motor vehicle, on or off military installations is restricted. The restriction is that; cellular phones may only be used with "hands free"devices. Earphones versions of hand free devices are prohibited.

## 11. PARKING.

a. Illegal parking significantly contributes to congestion and impedes the traffic flow on and off military installation. All persons who have registered a vehicle are responsible for the proper use of that vehicle, including parking. Accordingly, any individual whose registered vehicle has accumulated more than two DD Form 1408 (Armed Forces Traffic Ticket) for parking violations during a 60-day period may have his/her driving privileges suspended for a period of up to six months at the discretion of the installation commander. The USFK standard for parking offenses is cited below.
b. Prohibited parking. Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or to comply with law or the direction of law enforcement personnel or an official traffic control device, no person will park a vehicle--
(1) On a sidewalk.
(2) In a crosswalk.
(3) In front of driveways.
(4) On a bridge or other elevated structure upon a roadway.
(5) Within a highway tunnel.
(6) On railroad or streetcar tracks.
(7) At any place narrow enough to make passing difficult, dangerous, or impossible.
(8) On a roadway or shoulder within 100 feet ( 30 meters) of the crest of a hill.
(9) Beside another vehicle parked parallel to the curb or on a roadway shoulder.
(10) Where official signs prohibit parking, when the curbing is painted yellow, or when the roadway is marked in yellow or white.
(11) Within 20 feet ( 6 meters) of a fire hydrant, crosswalk, bus stop or intersection.
(12) Within 20 feet ( 6 meters) of a driveway to any fire station or similar emergency facility, on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station or similar emergency facility, or within 75 feet ( 23 meters) of the entrance.
(13) Within 30 feet ( 9 meters) of the approach to any flashing signal, stop sign, yield sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of the roadway.
(14) On a grassed or seeded area on U.S. military installations unless directed by proper authority.
(15) Stop, park, or leave a vehicle attended or unattended where it is prohibited. In any event, an unobstructed width of the highway opposite a vehicle must be left for the free passage of other vehicles, and a clear view of the stopped vehicle must be available from a distance of 200 feet ( 60 meters) in each direction. Exceptions apply to vehicle operators who cannot accomplish this action due to injury or due to the disabled condition of the vehicle.

## 12. PASSENGER AND CARGO LIMITATIONS.

a. Passenger limitation. The number of passengers will not exceed the designated seating capacity.
b. Cargo limitation.
(1) Do not exceed manufacturer's recommended cargo weight limitation of the vehicle.
(2) Contents of the cargo should not extend beyond one tenth of the vehicle length.

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(3) Width of cargo should not block or impair the rearview mirror.
c. Warning signs for cargo that exceeds the length limit.
(1) Daylight. A red cloth, $30 \mathrm{~cm} \times 50 \mathrm{~cm}$ or larger, must be affixed to the farthest protruding edge.
(2) Night time. A light or reflector must be fastened to the farthest protruding edge.

## SECTION III. SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR EXPESSWAY DRIVING

## 13. RULES FOR TRAVEL.


a. Right-of-way.
(1) An emergency vehicle has the right-of-way.
(2) A vehicle already on the expressway has the right-of-way.
b. Passing.
(1) When passing, drivers must turn on the directional signal, and then pass safely using the left lane (passing lane). Upon completion of passing, he must return to the traveling lane using the right turn signal.
(2) The following illustration depicts the use of directional signals when passing. When passing on the expressway, directional signals are used to indicate a change, either to enter the passing lane or the traveling lane. When in the passing lane, the directional signal must be turned off.

c. Yielding. Vehicles on expressways should yield to vehicles entering onto the expressway by adjusting speed to permit entering vehicles to merge into traffic safely.

## 14. VEHICLE BREAKDOWN.

a. When a vehicle is disabled and unable to travel on the expressway, move the vehicle to the right side of the roadway and place a triangular warning sign 100 meters or more behind the vehicle. Turn on the vehicle's hazard lights (flashers) to provide additional visibility. Flashers may also be used by other motorists to warn of emergency conditions (accident on or near the roadway, disabled vehicle, etc.).
b. At night, red flares or flashing lights must be placed at least 200 meters behind the disabled vehicle to provide visibility within 500 meters from both directions.


## 15. DRIVERS RESPONSIBILITIES ON THE EXPRESSWAY.

a. Drivers will ensure their passengers wear installed seatbelts.
b. Warning devices must be carried at all times including a red reflective triangular warning sign or a flashing light. (Exception: Vehicles carrying flammable or explosive materials will not use or carry flares.)
c. If you travel on weekends or holidays, respect the bus lane. See paragraph 4d, bus lane, for further information.

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d. Don't drive along the side or shoulder of the expressway and be aware of stalled and emergency vehicles in this area.
e. Slow down when going in and out of a tunnel because your vision needs to adjust to the change in lighting.
f. The safe distance between you and the vehicle in front of you is 100 meters (or two or three seconds).
g. When you are in need of help from a Korean and you cannot communicate, use Appendix B of this pamphlet to point out the message you wish to convey.

## SECTION IV. TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

## 16. PROCEDURES.

a. Driver responsibilities.
(1) Stop immediately.
(2) Aid the injured and take other necessary emergency measures.
(3) Report the following information to the nearest police officer:
(a) Location, time, and date of accident.
(b) Degree of injuries, to include fatalities.
(c) Type and degree of property damage.
(d) Other necessary information.
(4) Document the scene with photographs if possible. Recommend carrying a disposal (instant) camera or cell phone camera.
b. A police officer may order drivers to do the following:
(1) Aid the injured.
(2) Remain at the scene of the accident if needed to prevent traffic hazards.
(3) Take other measures necessary for maintenance of traffic safety.
c. Drivers leaving the scene of the accident without taking necessary actions will be subject to severe punishment.
d. If you encounter language problems with Koreans involved, show your USFK FL 1EK (HQ USFK SOFA card) or appendix B of this pamphlet, and point out items that you desire to express.

## 17. SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR PUNISHMENT.

a. If the driver is at fault in an accident resulting in injuries or property damage, he or she may be relieved from criminal punishment if the driver and victim agree to resolve the case between themselves.

NOTE: An open-ended comprehensive insurance policy (bodily injuries and property damage) will be considered as an agreement. U.S. Military vehicle operators will not agree to resolve a vehicle accident with another party. All Government owned vehicles involved in an accident will be reported to the Korean National Police or Military Police.
b. The following cases are still punishable regardless of an agreement:
(1) Fatal Accident.
(2) Deserting the accident scene without taking necessary actions.
(3) Concealing the victim and then fleeing.
(4) An accident resulting in injuries, by committing one or more of the following violations:
(a) Violating a traffic signal, entering a no-entry zone, or running a stop sign.
(b) Exceeding speed limit by 20 kilometers per hour.
(c) Unsafe or illegal passing.
(d) Crossing the centerline.

(e) Driving without a driver's
license.
(f) Violating railroad crossing procedures.
(g) Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.


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(h) Disregarding drivers' duties to protect pedestrians at crosswalks.

(i) Trespassing on the separated sidewalk or improper crossing.
(j) Negligence of duties to protect passengers from falling off the vehicles.

## SECTION V. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MILITARY VEHICLES

## 18. VEHICLE MOVEMENT.

a. Road clearances. When there is any question of road clearance, or in the absence of a sign indicating measured clearance (width and height), the driver will stop the vehicle and determine if there is sufficient clearance for the vehicle and its load before attempting to negotiate an underpass, highway, or bridge.
b. Toll booths. All drivers of military vehicles will come to a complete stop at all toll booths upon entry and exit from expressways and toll roads.
c. Eating, drinking, or smoking. Drivers of military vehicles will not eat, drink, or smoke while operating a vehicle.

## 19. HIGHWAY CONDITION CODES.

Highway conditions are color coded as follows:
a. Green - road conditions are normal.
b. Amber - only vehicles essential for official business will be allowed to exit the installation.
c. Red - only vehicles on emergency missions are authorized to exit the installation. An emergency mission is one which meets one or more of the following:
(1) Protection of life and property.
(2) Emergency road repair crews or communication repair crews.
(3) Military police missions.
(4) Transportation regulating missions.
d. Black - road is not passable.

NOTE: Information on current road conditions can be obtained at http://www.usfk.mil.

## 20. MAXIMUM USFK VEHICLE SPEED LIMITS. (USFK Reg 190-1)* (Included in Driver's Test)

* Vehicle operators will not drive at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent under the road and weather conditions and with regard to the actual and potential hazards. The maximum speed limits are shown below. Military vehicles operators will not exceed maximum speed limits.
a. When passing a marching unit--
b. On military installations--
(1) Residential Areas
(2) School Zones (when yellow flashing light on)
(3) Parking Area
c. Off-Military Installations--
(1) Within a city, community, or built-up area
(2) Outside a city, community, or built-up area
$10 \mathrm{MPH} / 16 \mathrm{KPH}$
$15 \mathrm{MPH} / 24 \mathrm{KPH}$
$15 \mathrm{MPH} / 24 \mathrm{KPH}$
5 MPH/8 KPH

35 MPH/56 KPH
40 MPH/64 KPH

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d. On expressways and toll roads--
(1) For sedan type military vehicles, the minimum speed will be as posted same as speed limits shown on page 6 , speed limit by expressway.
(2) Tactical vehicle (excluding M880/M890/M998/M1000 series)-- 40MPH/64KPH
(3) All other military vehicles are considered cargo vehicles and speed limit for these types of vehicles is $50 \mathrm{MPH} / 80 \mathrm{KPH}$ regardless of the time of day.

* Official Government Vehicle.


## 21. TRAFFIC POINT SYSTEM.

a. Individuals whose driving privileges are suspended or revoked, to include those individuals with an accumulation of 12 traffic points within 12 consecutive months or 18 traffic points within 24 consecutive months, will be notified in writing through official channels. Revocation based on traffic points will be for a minimum of six months. The unit's Master Driver will certify that the remedial driving has been completed and report this information to the Unit Commander.
b. Points assessed against an individual will remain in effect for point accumulation for a consecutive 24-month period or until separation from the service. This does not include cases involving immediate reenlistment, change of component, military retirement, or continuation of SOFA registration as a civilian employee of the U.S. Armed Forces in the ROK. Extension of tours by civilian and military personnel does not constitute separation from the service or termination.
c. Military members must attend remedial driver's training upon the accumulation of six or more traffic points in six months.

## 22. MOTORCYCLE AND BICYCLE SAFETY RULES AND DEVICES.

a. Personnel who operate motorcycles/mopeds (regardless of engine size) on a public street or highway must be licensed IAW USFK Reg 190-1 paragraph 7c.
b. While operating any of above modes of travel, safety must be exercised at all times. Compliance with ROK motorcycle standards are mandatory, see USFK Reg 190-1, Appendix D (19), Special Rules for Motorcycles.
c. Motorcycles will not be operated on Korean expressways or prohibited highways.
d. Local Installation/Base Commanders may have additional Safety Polices that have further restrictions. All motorcycles/mopeds regardless of size of Cubic Centimeters (CCs) must be registered at the Area Vehicle Registration Office.
e. Bicycle Safety: Whether in uniform or not a bicycle safety helmet will be worn at all times along with a reflective vest. When crossing through a crosswalk, it is a good practice to walk the bike across to the other side.

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## APPENDIX A

## KOREAN ROAD TRAFFIC SIGNS

교통안전표지일람표

| WARNING SIGNS $\begin{aligned} & \text { 주의 } \\ & \text { 표지 } \end{aligned}$ | 101 <br> Cross Intersection + 자형교차로 | 101-1 <br> T-Intersection T 자형교차로 | 102-2 <br> Y-Intersection $Y$ 자형교차로 | 101-3 <br> Right Side Road 가자형교차로 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 101-4 <br> Left Side Road $\dagger$ 자형교차로 | 102 <br> Priority Road 우선도로 | Right Merge 우합류도로 | 103-1 <br> Left Merge 좌합류도로 | 104 Traffiic Circle 회전형교차로 |
| Railroad Crossing 철도건널목 | Right Curve 우로굽은도로 | 106-1 Left Curve 좌로굽은도로 | 107 <br> Right Double Curve <br> 우로이중굽은도로 | 107-1 <br> Left Double Curve <br> 좌로이중굽은도로 |
| 108 <br> Two-way Traffic 2 방향통행 | Upgrade 오르막경사 | 109-1 <br> Downgrade 내리막경사 | 110 <br> Road Width Reduced 노폭감소 |  |

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| 110-2 <br> Road Width Reduced-Left 좌차선감소 | 111 <br> Keep Right 우측방통행 | 112 <br> May Travel Either Lane 양측방통행 | 113 <br> Divided Road Begins 분리도로시작 | 113-1 <br> Divided Road Ends 분리도로끝 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 114 <br> Traffic Signal Ahead 신호기 | 115 <br> Slippery Road 미끄러운도로 | 116 <br> Wharf/ River Bank 강변도로 | 117 <br> Bumpy Road 노면요철 | 117-1 <br> Speed Bump Ahead 과속방지턱 |
| 118 Falling Rocks 낙석도로 | 119 <br> Loose Gravel/Mud 돌,훍탕물튀는도로 | 120 <br> Pedestrian Crossing 횡단보도 | 121 <br> Children Protection 어린이보호 | 122 <br> Bicyclist Ahead <br> 자전거 |
| 123 <br> Road Underconstruction 도로공사중 | 124 <br> Low-flying Aircraft 비행기 | 125 Cross Wind 횡풍 | 126 <br> Tunnel Ahead <br> 터널 | 127 <br> Wild Animal Protection 야생동물보호 |
| 128 Danger 위험 | PROHIBITARY $\begin{aligned} & \text { 규제 } \\ & \text { 표지 } \end{aligned}$ | 201 <br> Road Closed 통행금지 | 202 <br> No Entry for Passenger Cars 승용자동차 통행금지 | 203 <br> No Entry for Cargo Vehicles 화물자동차 통행금지 |

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| 204 <br> No Entry for Buses 승합자동차 통행금지 | 205 <br> No Entry for Motercycles 2 륜자동차 통행금지 | 206 <br> No Entry for Passenger Cars/Motorcycles 승용자동차, 2 륜 자동차 통행금지 | 206-1 <br> No Tractors /Cultivators 트랙터및경운기 통행금지 | 207 <br> No Entry for Animal Drawn Vehicles 우마차통행금지 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 208 <br> No Entry for Hand Carts 손수레 통행금지 | 209 <br> No Entry for Bicycles 자전거 통행금지 | 210 <br> Do Not Enter 진입금지 | 210-1 No Through Traffic 직진금지 | No Right Turn 우회전금지 |
| $211-1$ <br> No Left Turn 좌회전금지 | $212$ <br> No Crossing 횡 단금지 | $212-1$ <br> No U-Turn 횡단회전금지 | $213$ <br> Do Not Pass 앞지르기금지 | 214 <br> No Parking or Stopping 주정차금지 |
| 215 <br> No Parking 주차금지 | 216 <br> Weight Limit 중량제한 | 217 <br> Height Limit 높이제한 <br> 3.5 m | 218 <br> Width Limit 폭제한 | 219 <br> Distance Limit 차간거리제한 |
| 220 <br> Maximum Speed Limit 최고속도제한 | 221 <br> Minimum Speed Limit 최저속도제한 | 223 <br> Slow Down 서행 <br> 천천히 |  |  |

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| 226 <br> Pedestrian Crossing Prohibited 보행자횡단금지 | $226-1$ <br> No Pedestrian Walking 보행자보행금지 | 227 <br> No Entry for Vehicle Carrying Dangerous Material 위험물적재 차량통행금지 | MANDATORY SIGNS $\begin{aligned} & \text { 지시 } \\ & \text { 표지 } \end{aligned}$ | $301$ <br> Road Reserved for Motor vehicles 자동차 전용도로 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 302 <br> Road Reserved for Bicycles 자전거 전용도로 | 302-1 <br> For Bicycles And Pedestrian 자전거 및 보행자 겸용도로 | Traffic Circle 회전교차로 | 304 Direction of Travel 직행 | Right Turn 우회전 |
| 305-1 <br> Left Turn 좌회전 | 306 <br> Straight or Right Turn 직행 및 우회전 | 306-1 <br> Straight of Left Turn 직행 및 좌회전 |  | 횡단회전 |
| 309 <br> May Travel Either Direction 양측방통행 | $310$ <br> Keep Right 우측면통행 | 310-1 <br> Keep Left 좌측면통행 | 310-2 <br> Proceeding Direction 진행방향별 통행구분 |  |
| 312 <br> Use Snow tires or Chains 스노우 타이어 또는 체인사용 | $313$ <br> Safety Zone 안전지대 | 314 <br> Parking Permitted 주차허용 <br> 주 차 $\square$ | 314-1 <br> Parking for Bicycle 자전거 주차장 <br> 0 <br> 주 차 | $315$ <br> Road Reserved for Pedestrians 보행자 전용도로 |

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| Pedestrian Crossing 횡단보도 | 317 <br> Children Protection <br> 아동 보호 | 318 Bicycle Crossing 자전거 횡단도 | 319 <br> One-way Traffic 일방통행 | 319-1 <br> One-way Traffic 일방통행 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 319-2 <br> One-way Traffic 일방통행 | 320 <br> Unprotected Left <br> Turn <br> 비보호좌회전 | 321 <br> Regular Services Bus Only 버스전용차로 | 322 <br> HOV Lane 다인승차량 <br> 전용차로 |  |

## APPENDIX B

## DRIVER'S ASSISTANCE REQUEST

## USEFUL SENTENCES

1. Please help me.
2. Please notify the military police of my accident.
3. Personnel have been injured and need medical aid.
4. We need assistance from U.S. military personnel.
5. Which direction is $\qquad$ ?
6. Where is gasoline station?
7. We need water.
8. We need gasoline/diesel.
9. Maintenance assistance is required.
10. We have a minor maintenance problem but will leave soon.
11. We need a tow truck from U.S. forces.
12. Please help me call this number $\qquad$ .
13. Where is a telephone?
14. May I use your telephone?
15. How much do I owe you?
16. My name is $\qquad$
17. My car will not operate.
18. May I park here?
19. How can I contact you later?

Please write a note for me.
20. Thank you very much for your help. (Gamsa Hammnida)
(CHECK)
( )
( )

좀 도와주십시요
저의 사고를 헌병에게 알려 주십시오.

부상당한 사람이 있어
구급조치가 필요합니다.
미군 요원의 도움이
필요합니다.
$\qquad$ 이 어느방향입니까?
주유소는 어디에 있습니까?
물이 필요합니다.
휘발유/디젤이 필요합니다.
차량 정비에 도움이 필요합니다.
정비상 약간의 문제가
있습니다만 곧 떠나겠습니다.
미군 부대의 견인차가 필요합니다.
___로 전화할 수 있도록
도와주십시오.
전화는 어디에 있습니까?
전화 좀 쓸 수 있겠습니까?
얼마를 드리면 되겠습니까?
저의 이름은 $\qquad$
저의 차가 고장 났습니다.
여기에 주차해도 되겠습니까?
제가 이 다음에 연락 할수
있도록 연락처를 적어 주십시오.
도움 주셔서 대단히 감사합니다.


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