



Are You An Aggressive Driver?

Take the Test



Take a minute to evaluate yourself to see if you may have developed some habits that could be adding to the aggressive driving atmosphere.

Are you an Aggressive Driver or a Smooth Operator? Do you...

- | Yes | No | | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Overtake other vehicles only on the left | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Refrain from flashing headlights to signal a desire to pass |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid blocking passing lanes | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Drive trucks at posted speeds, in the proper lanes, using non-aggressive lane changing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yield to faster traffic by moving to the right | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Make slow, deliberate U-turns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Keep to the right as much as possible on narrow streets and at intersections | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Maintain proper speeds around roadway crashes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Maintain appropriate distance when following other vehicles, bicyclists, motorcyclists, etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid returning inappropriate gestures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Provide appropriate distance when cutting in after passing vehicles | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid challenging other drivers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Use headlights in cloudy, raining, low light conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Try to get out of the way of aggressive drivers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yield to pedestrians | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Refrain from momentarily using High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes to pass vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Come to a complete stop at stop signs, before right turn on red, etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Focus on driving and avoid distracting activities (e.g., smoking, use of a cellphone, reading, shaving) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Stop for red traffic lights | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid driving when drowsy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Approach intersections and pedestrians at slow speeds to show your intention and ability to stop | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid blocking the right-hand turn lane |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Follow right-of-way rules at four-way stops | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid taking more than one parking space |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Drive below posted speeds limits when conditions warrant | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid parking in a disabled space (if you are not disabled) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Drive at slower speeds in construction zones | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid letting your door hit the car parked next to you |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Maintain speeds appropriate for conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid using the cellphone while driving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Use vehicles turn signals for turns and lane changes | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid stopping in the road to talk with a pedestrian or other driver |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Make eye contact and signal intentions where needed | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid inflicting loud music on neighboring cars |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Acknowledge intentions of others | Score Yourself: | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Use your horn sparingly around pedestrians, at night, around hospitals, etc | Number of "No" Answers | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Avoid unnecessary use of high beam headlights | 1-3 | Excellent | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yield and move to the right for emergency vehicles | 4-7 | Good | |
| | | | 8-11 | Fair | |
| | | | 12 (or more) | Poor | |

Source: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1997

Educational programs of Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

Issued in furtherance of Cooperative Extension Work in Agriculture and Home Economics, Acts of Congress of May 8, 1914, as amended, and June 30, 1914, in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture, Chester P. Fehlis, Director, Texas Cooperative Extension, The Texas A&M University System.