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30% of All Accidents Occur While Backing

Millions of miles are driven each year and most of these miles are driven going forward. For that reason, the majority of accidents occur while vehicles are going forward. Still, approximately 30% of accidents occur when vehicles are moving in reverse.

Practicing the following safety tips will help to eliminate backing accidents:

- Don't back unless absolutely necessary.
- Ensure all blind spots are clear.
- Eliminate all distractions while backing.
- Always use flashers, warning lights and sound your horn (don't rely on automatic buzzers or beepers).
- Ensure all mirrors are properly adjusted.
- Align your vehicle for straight-line backing.
- Ensure available clearance behind, above, on either side, and below your vehicle.
- Always back *slowly* and be ready to stop quickly.
- Keep your eyes moving and scan your mirrors.
- Get Out And Look (G.O.A.L.)

Backing should always be your last option!

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