

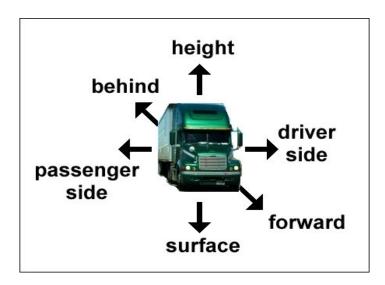


Space Cushion

Professional drivers who practice safe driving constantly monitor the "space cushion" around their trucks to make sure that they are not too close to other objects, whether stationary or moving, for example:

- Height above (tunnels, overpasses and low clearances)
- Surface beneath (including sloped and uneven road surfaces, pot holes, speed bumps).
- Forward space in front (including following distance and turning space).
- Rear space behind (including following distance of vehicles behind and backing space).
- Space on both the driver side and passenger side (negotiating parking places, toll booths, tunnels, bridges and around buildings).

The following illustration shows the directions around a truck that a professional driver must be concerned about:



Give Others a Break by Paying Attention to Your Surroundings!

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