## SSP SPECIFIC HAZARD ATTACHMENT: VEHICLE OPERATION

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| **Before Driving**| - Ensure tires are inflated  
- Ensure gas cap is in place and tight  
- Ensure front hood and trunk are secured  
- Ensure spare tire is in good condition  
- Locate tire changing equipment and emergency road kit  
- Check headlights, brakes, emergency brake, turn signals, and parking lights  
- Adjust side mirrors  
- Adjust rearview mirrors  
- Ensure horn is in working order  
- Ensure seat belts fasten  
- Ensure sunglasses are available  
- Locate operating switches for lights, wipers, temperature control, and defroster  
- Ensure adequate directions to destination are available  
- Ensure driving route avoids dangerous areas  
- Ensure adequate fuel (keep tank at least half-full during emergencies) |
| **Operating Vehicle**| - After ignition, look for warning lights  
- Test breaking system  
- Obey all traffic signs, warnings, and speed limits  
- Do not drive if hearing, sight, hands or limbs are impaired  
- Take frequent breaks – once every 100 miles  
- During breaks, if sleeping, park in lighted lot and keep doors locked  
- Do not drive if tired or under the influence of alcohol or medication that affects coordination, reaction-time, or judgement  
- Monitor traffic reports for accidents, weather, and construction sites. |

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