

Tips for Avoiding Truck Accidents

In Atlanta

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Know the No Zones

What you may not know is that the entire area surrounding a semi could be called a blind spot. There are very few spaces alongside a large truck in which you are visible. If you can't see the driver's eyes in their mirrors, they can't see you.

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Be Mindful When Passing

You should always be able to see the truck driver's eyes in their side mirror before you attempt to pass them. Be sure that you signal your intent to change lanes, accelerate as safely as possible and avoid staying in the blind spot.

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Don't Cut Off a Truck

If you are merging onto the highway, don't cut too closely in front of a semi. They may not have enough room to stop if they need to. If a truck doesn't seem to be moving over to allow you to merge, slow down and get behind it.

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Give Trucks Room

If you see that a truck is attempting to turn toward you, stop before the intersection so they have enough room to make their turn. If a truck ahead of you is going to turn either left or right, don't get caught on the side of the trailer.

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