

HOT : Hog Officer Training

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This is some of the stuff I learned 2 months ago while playing hooky from April's meeting.

The lines on the highways have some special meaning that is used nationwide.

Starting with the yellow lines, whether it's on interstate or your local neighborhood, it should always be on your left to indicate direction of travel. Whether it's 2 lanes or multi-lane, it should always be on your left. On a highway that the yellow line is the only divider, you may cross it to pass only if it is a broken line.

Solid white lines indicate the right side of travel lane. One of the great safety facts of the solid white line on the interstate is in poor visibility, you can follow this line off the exit to a safe location to park. When you have multi-lanes that are traveling in one direction, the lanes are divided by white broken lines most of the time, which means we can change lanes to pass but should move back to the right lane when safe.

Solid lines should not be crossed, not yellow, not white and not on multi-lane highways.

Something I have used many times for my driving habits is being aware of the crosswalk signs that have the countdown numbers. They usually indicate the light is going to be changing from caution to red. Karen Brunelle was leading a ride and was reading the number off when she passed to give us in the back heads up if we all were going to make it or not. I think this could be a good tool for all the Road Captains with radios.

I also learned that federal law dictates that the exit numbers above the exit sign indicates which side to exit interstate on. When the exit number is above the middle of the sign it indicates that it is the second exit from the sign.

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