



In the Public Eye

Many of us employed by the County of Riverside drive County vehicles to conduct official County business. Whether you drive a County vehicle daily or periodically, always remember that the public is watching.



Most County vehicles are easily identified, as is the employee driving the vehicle at the time of the complaint. The County investigates all complaints made regarding unsafe driving.

All employees authorized to operate County vehicles or private vehicles to conduct official County business must attend a Driver's Training class sponsored by the County Safety Division within the first six (6) months of employment.

All employees who are, or may be required to drive on County business must complete an "Authorization To Drive Riverside County Vehicle Or Private Vehicle For County Business" (General Form #30). If a County employee drives a vehicle (personal or County vehicle) on County business, your Department Head or their designee must verify that the employee has a valid and appropriate class of driver's license for the type of vehicle being operated.

Please refer to Vehicle Use and Safety Guidelines document number: 4001 in the County of Riverside Safety Manual for information on the County's Standard Safety Operations.

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TIPS

When operating a County vehicle keep in mind that you are representing the County of Riverside. Members of the public commonly call the Human Resources Safety Division and report drivers that are operating County vehicles unsafely. Below are a few examples of public complaints.

- **Excessive speeding**
- **Unsafe starts and stops**
- **Tailgating**
- **Unsafe lane changes**
- **Discourteous driving**
- **Road Rage**
- **Eating while driving**
- **Talking on a cell phone while driving**
- **Texting while driving**
- **Reading while driving**