

PROTECT THOSE WHO PROTECT YOU

RESPECT THE MOVE OVER LAW

Emergency vehicles



Specifically:

- Police vehicle
- Ambulance
- Fire department vehicle
- Vehicle from Contrôle routier Québec

Tow truck



Surveillance vehicle



Equipped with a yellow arrow light signal

The **Move Over Law**, as it is called in most US States and certain Canadian provinces, refers to the distance drivers of road vehicles must put, in certain circumstances, between their vehicles and a vehicle stopped on the road or on the shoulder.

WHY SHOULD THIS MEASURE BE APPLIED?

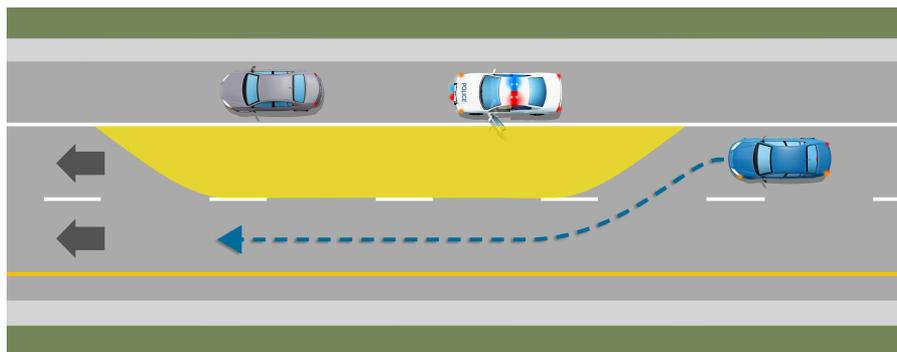
By properly executing “move over” manoeuvres, you increase the **safety of the workers** intervening near a vehicle stopped on a public highway, as well as that of **anyone** in the area. For these persons, the risk of being hit by a vehicle is a reality. **Complying with this measure** can help prevent injuries or even death!

WHEN DOES THIS MEASURE APPLY?

You must carry out the “move over” manoeuvres when one of the **vehicles** below is **stopped** and its yellow arrow light signal or its **rotating** or **flashing** lights are **activated**.

HOW TO PROPERLY EXECUTE THE MANOEUVRES

General rule: Create a buffer lane **by slowing down**, then **moving away from the stopped vehicle**, after making sure that you can do so safely. If needed, stop your vehicle to avoid endangering human life or safety.



More specifically, here are the correct manoeuvres to be executed depending on the situation:

Vehicle stopped in the lane in which you are travelling

Slow down and...

change lanes after making sure you can do so safely. If not, stop your vehicle and wait until you can.

On a two-way roadway, yield the right of way to any vehicle travelling in the opposite direction before changing lanes.

Vehicle stopped on the shoulder or in a contiguous lane running in the same direction as the lane in which you are travelling

Slow down and...

if there is another lane in the same direction, change lanes after making sure you can do so safely, so as to leave a free lane between your vehicle and the stopped vehicle.

If a lane change is not possible, put as much distance as possible between you and the stopped vehicle, while remaining in the lane in which you are travelling.

This measure has been in force since **August 5, 2012**. In case of a violation, a **\$200 to \$300** fine and a penalty of **4 demerit points** shall be given.

For more information on this measure and on the proper way of executing the manoeuvres, go to: MoveOverLawQuebec.gouv.qc.ca.