



# Road Ranger Safety Meeting

09/25/2023

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Metric Engineering on behalf of FDOT District 2

# ROAD RANGER SAFETY/TRAINING MEETING AGENDA



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September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

1. FIRST COAST ROAD RANGERS PRESENTATION Scott Christmas
  
2. FDOT ITS Operations Dee Dee Crews
  - A. MOT General Discussion
  - B. Safety
  - C. Procedural Errors
  - D. Road Ranger Operations Interaction
    - a. Communication
    - b. Dispatch
    - c. Event Information
  - E. Phone / Tablet Issues
  - F. Safe Tows
  
3. AVL Shelby Mullins/Dee Dee Crews
  - A. Breaks/ Shift Changes
  - B. Inspections
  
4. RTMC SUPERVISOR CONCERNS Amanda Nichols
  - A. Radio Issues
  
5. ROAD RANGER OPERATOR QUESTIONS
  
6. ACTION ITEMS
  
7. FINAL COMMENTS FDOT/ 1<sup>st</sup> Coast Road Rangers

- Scotty began meeting by welcoming everyone
- Scotty advised they are in the process of hiring new people
- Scotty went over topics to be covered
  - General safety
  - Procedural errors
  - Breaks and shift changes
  - MOT
  - Radio etiquette
  - Cell phone usage
  - Notes from HR
- Scotty went over things to do before leaving the yard
  - Clean and wash trucks inside and out
  - Check operation and fluids on the truck
  - Make sure all tools are present and secured
  - Take inventory before leaving the yard
  - Check hygiene and uniforms
- Scotty discussed F.S. 316.003 classifying road rangers as emergency vehicles
  - This does not promote you to back up on the interstate. Do not back up on the interstate
- Scotty reminded road rangers of things to do while driving
  - Drive in the right lane, 5mph below posted speed limit
  - Look 3 times before changing lanes and merging into traffic
  - Keep proper distance from the vehicle in front of you
  - No texting while driving
- Scotty discussed things to do at an event
  - If you pass an event, turn around and come back to it
  - Do not use official turn arounds

- Pull off the roadway to type in an event
- First person on scene is in charge of the event
- Call all stops into TMC and put sign boards up
- Stay in communication with TMC
- Get the vehicle information
- All 15 cones get placed out
- Scotty reminded road rangers you are on route the whole duration of your shift
  - Do not stage
  - Do not park
  - Do not come off route before shift is over
- Scotty advised no procedural errors for the month
- Scotty reminded road rangers to always wear your seat belt
- Scotty advised do not follow motorists unless requested by TMC
- Scotty reminded road rangers we are still in hurricane season
  - Be prepared with a bag packed and have family prepared
- Scotty went over break and shift change notes
  - Breaks are 15 minutes
  - Do not take a break during peak traffic times 6am-9am and 3pm-7pm
  - Get off the yard by 6:15 and limit shift change to 15 minutes
- Scotty went over some MOT notes and pictures
  - All 15 cones get placed out
  - Never turn your back to traffic
  - Always assume other drivers can't or won't see you
  - Try putting a barrier between yourself and on coming traffic
  - Do not sit in your vehicle on an event
  - Point your tires into a direction that if your vehicle was hit, it would go into the safest direction

- Scotty discussed general notes
  - Create event and get approval from TMC before giving fuel
  - 24/7 routes do not get overtime codes
  - Be short and factual on the radio
  - Do not accept any tips from motorists
  - Do not recommend any services to motorists
  - Do not post on social media or take pictures of an event
- Scotty advised cell phones are for company use only
  - No texting
  - No using the hot spot
  - Do not stream music or videos
- Scotty advised where to go for help
- Any issues with other vendors?
- Scotty concluded meeting



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