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# WHAT TO DO IF YOUR VEHICLE BREAKS DOWN

## SEND HELP SIGN

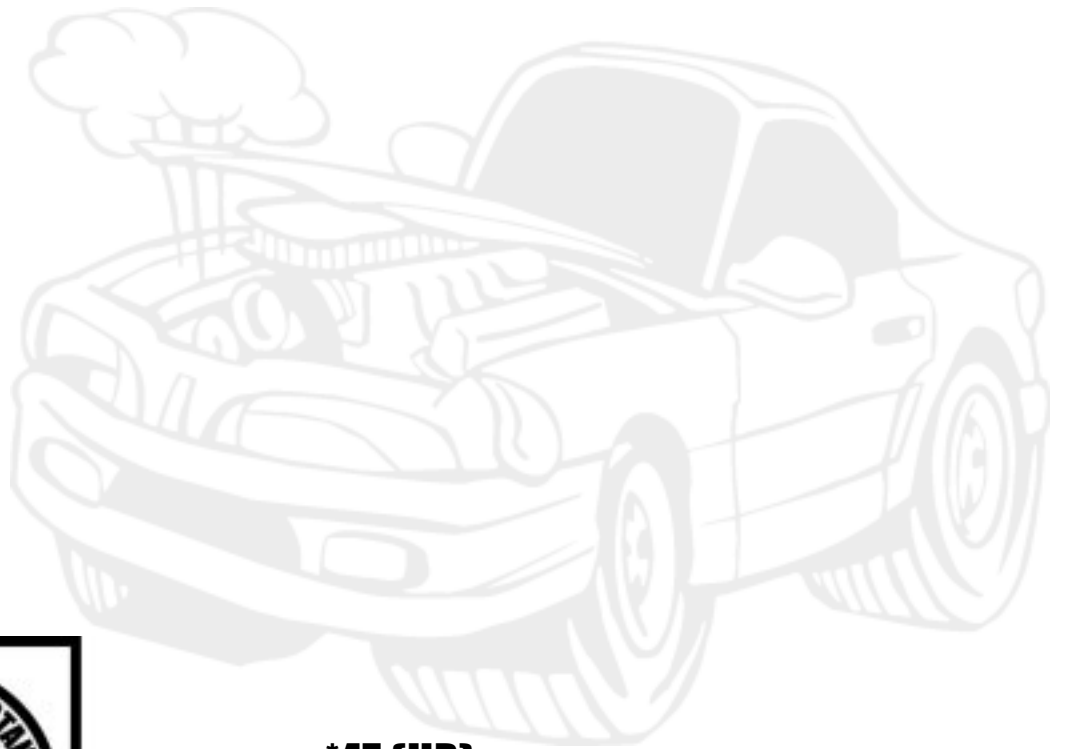
Keep a "SEND HELP" sign in your glove compartment. In case of emergency, it could become your most valuable possession.

## TO GET HELP

Open your window slightly and place this card through the crack, then close the window on the card in order to hold it in place. You can also place the card in your rear window.

## TO GIVE HELP

When you see a "SEND HELP" card displayed or other signals indicating distress such as a raised hood, a handkerchief tied to a door handle or radio antenna, do not stop. Signal your intentions to send help by sounding your horn. Then proceed to the next town and notify someone who can help such as a police department. Take no chances. Your personal safety is too important.



**\*47 (HP) - When on Kansas Roadways**

**\*KTA - When on the Kansas Turnpike**

**1-800-585-ROAD - for Road Conditions**

**Dial 911**

## \* 47 EMERGENCY NUMBERS \*KTA

If you have a cellular phone, you can easily get help in most areas of the state by dialing one of the Kansas Highway Patrol Emergency numbers. This enables you to contact the nearest Highway Patrol Communications Center. \*47 and \*KTA are used to report emergencies such as accidents, vehicle breakdowns, erratic drivers, criminal activity, etc. Road conditions may be obtained by using the 800 number above.

## SAFETY TIPS:

The Kansas Highway Patrol is concerned about your safety. It is extremely important that you maintain your vehicle in top operation condition at all times. In addition, we have some tips that could be very helpful should you experience an unexpected breakdown.

- Park your vehicle as far off the traveled portion of the roadway as possible.
- Turn on the four-way emergency flashers (hazard lights).
- Tie a light colored (preferably white) cloth or handkerchief to the antenna or traffic side door handle.
- Place a "SEND HELP" sign in your window.
- Stay in your vehicle until a police officer arrives, especially at night or in inclement weather.
- If someone stops, lock your doors and open your window partially and ask them to go to the nearest available phone and call the police for assistance.
- Notify the police, sheriff, or highway patrol of the location and circumstances if you must leave your disabled vehicle along the highway.

## WINTER EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT:

1. Metal Coffee Cans
2. Matches/lighter
3. Candles
4. Can Opener
5. Blankets
6. First Aid Kit
7. Flashlight
8. Shovel
9. Tow rope or chain
10. Extra winter clothing
11. Non-perishable food
12. Fusees/Flares
13. Jumper Cables
14. Ice Scraper
15. Traction mats, sand or cat litter
16. Red flag
17. Cellular Phone
18. Bottled Water

## FIRST AID KIT:

- Gauze dressings 4" x 4" for cuts, burns and lacerations.
- 2 or 3 inch gauze roller bandages: for holding dressings in place and wrapping wounds.
- Heavy-duty feminine napkins: excellent to help stop heavy bleeding.
- 1 inch adhesive tape: for securing gauze and splints.
- Safety pins: have multiple uses.
- Scissors: for cutting gauze, bandages, tape, etc.
- Folded sheet, double-bed size: can be cut to make slings, bandages.
- Blanket: for shock victims and cold weather.

If you want a more elaborate kit, you might consider a ready-made one from a drugstore or a safety equipment supplier.

If you decide you must walk or ride with a passing motorist to obtain help, complete the following information and leave it in your vehicle.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Direction of Travel \_\_\_\_\_ Description \_\_\_\_\_

Motorist's Name \_\_\_\_\_ License Plate Number \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Description \_\_\_\_\_

# KEEP IN GLOVE BOX IN CASE OF EMERGENCY