

Tasks Every Law Enforcement Officer in a Work Zone Should Perform

Necessary Task	Activities
Communicate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - report to the POC at beginning of shift - Contact project engineer for clarification and directions - remain in contact with local dispatch
Be Visible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emergency lights on, headlights off - If outside patrol vehicle and within work zone, must wear retroreflective vest
Be Alert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stay alert at all times - Avoid activities that may be distracting - Keep your eye on traffic
Drive Through	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drive through in both directions and from all entry points - Become familiar with the work zone and its activities each shift - Determine safe places to investigate crashes and for enforcement - Identify hazardous conditions - Notify the POC of any possible deficiencies and/or potential problems
Investigate Crashes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - May investigate minor property damage crashes in work zone, if time to investigate is minimal - Do not abandon position if "presence" - Do not investigate crashes with injuries - Call for assistance
Arrive Early and Leave Late ("15 Minute Rule")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be present when traffic control devices are being installed and removed - Arrive at least 15 minutes before install - Leave 15 minutes after removal