

Driving & Journey ManagementSafeguards

When this applies

Any land transport and journey management planning for Senex-related work activities in a light vehicle.



Hazards

Though you take precautions for all journeys, driving is a higher risk if it:

- Involves driving a vehicle that is towing or carrying a load
- Involves a potential water crossing.
- Is longer than 4 hours, or significantly longer than you're used to driving.
- Is in regional, remote or unpopulated areas, or areas with limited mobile or communication coverage.
- Takes place in hazardous conditions. This might be unsealed or unmaintained roads, unfenced areas near wildlife or livestock, steep terrain or poor weather conditions.

Key Safeguards

- Consider ways to avoid the journey (e.g. meeting via Teams or using scheduled transport runs to eliminate unnecessary trips).
- Ensure all vehicle occupants are wearing a seatbelt while the vehicle is moving.
- Do not exceed speed limits.
- Confirm the vehicle is fitted with In Vehicle Monitoring System (IVMS) monitoring capability.
- Make sure all drivers are licensed, trained and competent for the vehicle class and the activity.
- Check your vehicle is fitted with the required safety equipment (i.e. first aid kit, snake bite kit, fire extinguisher, communication device).
- Plan your journey and use the Senex Journey Management 'Get Home Safe' app.

Did you know:

Driving fatigued is considered the same as driving under the influence of alcohol.



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What you need to do

- Be fit to drive, rested and fully alert.
- 2. Plan the journey allowing for up to a 15 minutes break every 2 hours of driving.
- 3. Select a vehicle appropriate for the journey / road conditions, and check that it is fitted with IVMS.
- 4. Check if the vehicle is required to have a **weed inspection / certification** completed. Ensure a copy is kept within the vehicle.
- 5. Perform a **pre-start check** to confirm the vehicle is fit for purpose, has no defects and is supplied with the appropriate safety equipment (e.g. first aid kit, communication device etc).
- 6. Secure loads ensuring they are even, fully restrained and within the Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) and dimension limits.
- 7. Ensure all vehicle occupants wear a seat belt while the vehicle is moving.
- 8. **Do not use your mobile phone** while driving.
- 9. Drive at a safe speed appropriate to the conditions, even if that's lower than the posted speed limit.
- 10. Confirm all drivers are **licensed**, **trained and competent** for the vehicle class and the activity (e.g. driving in the field, towing, recovery and flood crossing).
- 11. Complete the Driving & Journey Management Safeguards Checklist.

Worker competencies required

- Current driver's license issued (or recognised) in Australia, valid for the class of vehicle being operated
- RIIVEH201 Operate a light vehicle (for all light vehicle drivers)
- RIIVEH305 Operate and maintain a four-wheel drive vehicle (for operating in off road conditions)
- Senex Online Safe Driving Induction
- Safer Together Flood Water Crossing Awareness training

Additional resources

- Journey Management & Vehicle Procedure SENEX-CORP-HS-PRC-014
- Vehicle Inspection Checklist SENEX-CORP-HS-CHK-025
- Safer Together Light Vehicle Specification
- Safer Together IVMS Common Industry Standard



If you have any questions or need any support, speak to your Supervisor.



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Complete this checklist before starting work.

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Have you considered if the journey can be eliminated?

O Yes

Have you planned the journey and completed a Journey Management Plan?

O Yes

Do you understand the restrictions and requirements of the Journey Management Plan?

O Yes

Have you completed your vehicle prestart checks?

O Yes

Is your vehicle's load even, fully restrained and within the Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) limits?

O Yes

Are you fit, rested and prepared for the journey?

O Yes

Do you have the correct license and training for the vehicle class and activity?

O Yes

Do you understand that you must wear a seatbelt and not use your mobile phone while driving?

O Yes

Is the vehicle fitted with the required safety equipment (e.g. first aid kit, snake bite kit, fire extinguisher, communication device)?

O Yes

Do you have the vehicle's current washdown certification available for when requested?

O Yes

Does the vehicle have IVMS fitted?

O Yes





If you can't achieve all applicable controls in this safeguard, STOP work, and discuss with your Supervisor to ensure hazards are controlled.

CHECKLIST SENEX-CORP-HS-CTL-005



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Did the task have any challenges or complications? If yes, how were they managed?	Yes	○ No	
Were there any controls on the safeguard which could not be achieved? If so, why not and how was this managed?	Yes	○ No	
Did you improve the safeguards during verification? If yes, how did you improve it?	Yes	○ No	
Do you have any feedback on this safeguard document or the controls? If yes, please detail below.	Yes	No	
Name:Role:			