

Community Corner

Oh Deer!

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation recommends motorists take the following precautions to reduce the chance of hitting a deer or moose:



Decrease speed when you see deer near roadsides. Deer can "bolt" or change direction at the last minute.

If you see a deer cross the road, decrease speed. Deer often travel in groups, so expect other deer to follow.



When a deer or moose is seen approaching the roadway ahead, honk your horn to help them avoid entering the roadway.

If encountering an animal on the roadway, brake firmly but do not swerve. Swerving can cause a collision with another vehicle, a tree, a pole, or other objects. If an animal is hit, the DEC advises motorists to stay away from the animal. Use added caution on roadways marked with deer crossing signs.

