

## Snapshots from the Sea-to-Sky . . .

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### Speed reduction needed in construction zones

Construction speed zones are designed to protect the public and workers. When drivers exceed the 50 km/h construction speed limit they pose a hazard for workers and make the drive more difficult for themselves. Maximizing a driver's ability to see where they are going in construction zones is an ongoing effort for traffic management crews on the Sea-to-Sky Highway, but drivers have a role to play too. Construction speed zones are in place whenever conditions have been changed so that the regular speed limit is no longer appropriate for the road. Posted construction speeds are the maximum allowed in optimal conditions, and you may need to go slower if visibility is compromised by things like snow, heavy rain or fog.

***P.S.** Before heading out drivers should clean their headlights and check their windshield washer fluid. Improved visibility for drivers at night (especially on rainy nights) is one of the key goals of the Sea-to-Sky Highway Improvement Project. When completed, visibility improvements like highly reflective pavement markings, which are five times more reflective than painted lines, will make the drive safer.*



*In construction zones, surface mounted reflectors and cones or pylons are used to indicate driving lanes and shoulders. At the end of every work shift time is taken to ensure the markers are in the proper position and are wiped clean to maximize reflectivity. Drivers need to be more cautious in construction zones and slow down, especially at night or in poor weather.*

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