Community Corner

Tips on Slow Moving Vehicles,

What is considered a slow moving vehicle (SMV)?

All vehicles that operate at less than 40mph:

- Tractors
- Agricultural equipment
- Construction/maintenance equipment
- Animal-powered vehicles

Slow down immediately

Increase your following distance and drive courteously



Understand the equipment

Large equipment make wide turns, equipment being towed may sway

Wait until it is safe to pass

Pass with care

Animal-powered vehicles

May make unanticipated movements, give ample room when passing (if safe to do so)



Other facts about SMV :



Visibility

SMV operators may

due to the load and

have reduced visibility

size of the equipment





Peak Months You are more likely to see SMV's in late

see SMV's in late April to mid-October due to the planting & harvesting of crops

Information sourced from the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and the NYS LTAP Center - Cornell Local Roads Program

Identification

All SMVs must display the SMV emblem



NYS LTAP Center CLRP website







Governor's Traffic Safety Committee Website