

Massachusetts Department of Labor Standards

Work Zone Safety Tips for Police Details



Contractors

- **Communicate clearly** – Ensure clear communication between operators and detail officer. Use radios, hand signals or other effective means of communication. Increase communication when there are changes or movement in the work zone.
- **Maintain eye contact** – Keep eye contact with the detail officer when they approach or are near your equipment.
- **Use a spotter** – Use a spotter when vehicles and equipment travel in reverse.

Police

- **Be visible to motorists** – Officers must wear high visibility reflective clothing and stay in line of sight with motorists.
- **Do not stand in construction area** – Detail Officers should not be positioned inside the construction zone. Dump trucks and loaders have large blind spots and equipment could strike the officer.
- **Be careful of swing radius** – Do not stand next to rotating equipment, or near construction activity
- **Maintain eye contact** – Keep eye contact with equipment operators before approaching construction equipment.

