



SAFETY TIPS FROM THE GRR FIRE DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 2023

WHAT TO DO IF YOU COME UPON A MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH

CALL 911

1. This is the critical first step to activate the emergency response system.
2. If you are in a cell-dead area:
 - a. Take a quick look to see if anyone is injured and if there is a fire.
 - b. Go to a place where you can get cell reception and call 911.

IF YOU STOP TO HELP:

1. Don't put yourself at risk.
 - a. Park well away and uphill if relevant.
 - b. Activate your emergency flashers.
 - c. Approach the scene with caution.
 - d. Is there smoke? Fire? Leaking fuel?
 - e. Are there injuries or people trapped?
 - f. Is nobody present, a crash that happened a while ago?
2. Do what you know how to do.
 - a. Don't try to render medical care you do not know:
 - i. Use common sense.
 - ii. For example, if someone is bleeding badly, trying to stop the bleeding is common sense. On the other hand, don't try to reduce fractures or dislocations.

VEHICLE EMERGENCY SUPPLIES TO CONSIDER:

1. 4 – 5-pound ABC dry chemical fire extinguisher
2. Window breaker with seatbelt cutter
3. Flashlight. A headlamp is recommended
4. Reflective safety vest(s)
5. LED emergency road flares.
6. Nitrile or puncture-resistant gloves.

The New Fire Station Fundraiser is still in progress! We thank the many HOA members who generously have donated a total of \$14,325 since the fall of 2022. Please consider making a donation if you have not already done so. Donation checks can be sent to: Gallatin River Ranch Rural Fire District, PO Box 109, Manhattan, MT 59741. Donations are tax-deductible under section 170(c)(1) of the IRS code. Please help us fund this critical community safety project.