



SAFETY MONDAY

August 13, 2012

Head On Collisions

There were at least three head on collisions between garbage trucks and motorists last month. In two of the incidents, the other driver was killed, while in the third incident, the driver suffered serious injuries.

- In Arizona, the motorist crossed the median strip of I-10
- In Ohio, the motorist crossed a double yellow line on a county road
- In New York, the motorist crossed a double yellow line on a major highway

It is unclear whether any of these motorists were using a cell phone at the time of the accidents.

All solid waste drivers are advised to always be aware of their surroundings and the possibility that a vehicle moving in their direction could veer into their lane. Drivers should be constantly scanning oncoming traffic and paying attention to road conditions. Be prepared for the unexpected while on the road, and keep yourself safe.



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