

In the Cab – Driver Distraction, Sleep

Picture This



This image shows a worker behind the wheel of a company vehicle early in the morning, driving a familiar route between job sites. The cab is quiet, the road feels routine,

and the driver looks tired after a long shift and poor sleep. A phone notification lights up on the dashboard, and for just a second, the driver glances away. At the same moment, traffic ahead slows suddenly, and the gap closes faster than expected. In an instant, fatigue and distraction combine into a near-fatal situation.

Driver distraction and drowsiness are some of the most underestimated workplace hazards. Even a brief loss of focus can lead to high-speed crashes, serious injuries, or fatalities—not only for the driver, but for coworkers and the public. Defensive driving means staying alert, eliminating distractions, taking rest seriously, maintaining safe following distances, and never assuming the road will stay predictable. In the cab, safety depends on attention every second.