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As You're Driving Among Motorcyclists and Bicyclists, Remember These Tips:

- **See cyclists.** Look twice to spot motorcyclists and bicyclists, especially at intersections, when changing lanes and when pulling out of driveways. Remember that because they're smaller, you might not see them in blind spots.
- **Share the road.** Avoid crashes with motor- and bicyclists by paying attention and using caution.
- If you're passing a bicyclist who is heading in the same direction, you must leave a safe distance (no less than three feet) between your vehicle and the bicyclist until you have safely passed.
- Don't follow cyclists too closely, and remember that they need extra time to stop.
- Did you know motorcyclists often downshift instead of applying the brakes and activating a rear brake light when slowing down? When driving behind a motorcycle, allow a four-second space cushion to avoid a rear-end collision.
- Use extra caution around kids on bicycles. Children are more likely to make unexpected moves, such as darting into the path of vehicles or losing their balance. If you see children on bikes, simply slow down, pay attention and be ready to stop.

