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Back-up parking, it makes sense !



The Optimist Club noticed that many accidents happens when motorists leave backing out (in reverse) from parking spaces.

Since the coming of bicycle paths, motorists outgoing from there driveways are more exposed to accidents. They have to deal with moving vehicules, pedestrians on sidewalks, cyclists and skators on bicycle paths. The last-mentionned, in there corridor, are unconcerned of vehicules outgoing from driveways. Responsibility still belongs to the motorist to assure that the road is clear.

Backing-out into traffic under constraint of dead angles and all other preoccupations creates an extreme hazardous situation. Upon arrival backup parking is an excellent way to reduce the risk of accidents involving pedestrians, cyclist or skators.

Advantages of back-up parking...

- *Leads to a safe exit*
- *Favours driver visibility*
- *Attracts attention when leaving since that we are more visible with our lights on*
- *Reduce risks of accidents*
- *Ideal position to be towed and boosted*
- *Facilitate exit between snow banks*
- *Ready to leave in case of emergency*

" The best moment to prepare to leave a place safely, is upon arrival. "