

4.8.8 Defensive Driving

Drivers and operators must ensure they drive/operate in a manner that is well within the safe limits of the vehicle or equipment. This includes leaving enough time and room to react in the event of an unexpected event to avoid a collision or loss of control

4.10.14 Right of Way

At unmarked intersections, on haul roads and areas of the pit that involve equipment interaction, vehicle priority shall be established as shown in Figure 5 unless otherwise sign posted. At intersections which are closed or have traffic restriction in place marked by witches hats, all vehicles and equipment which pass through witches hats must give way to all other traffic.

1	<p>Responding Rescue Vehicles Have the right of way over</p>		
2	<p>Mac Float Have the right of way over</p>		
3	<p>Heavy Mobile Equipment Have the right of way over</p>		
4	<p>Road Going Vehicles (RGVs) Have the right of way over</p>		
5	<p>Vehicles Under Escort Lead escort vehicle has hazard lights on</p>		

Figure 5: Hierarchy of Priority at Unmarked Intersections

Vehicles of the one class must give way to the left if there is a vehicle of the same class on the left unless otherwise signposted or escorting.

Vehicles of the same class turning right must give way to oncoming traffic.

Vehicles shall give way prior to entering the intersection when approaching vehicles are within 50m of the intersection.

When 3 vehicles / equipment of the same class approach an intersection at the same time and a standoff circumstance is presented, positive communication between 2 opposing vehicles / equipment must be conducted to break the standoff situation. The remaining units will then move as per right of way rules.

All personnel shall approach intersections with caution, reduce speed, look in all directions, check blind spots, prepare to give way and drive defensively to conditions from 70m (minimum) to the intersection. p

Vehicle Hierarchy is Given not Taken.