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*Driver has special communication needs*

*See the back of this card for the best  
ways to communicate with the driver.*

# Driver is Deaf

Failure to cooperate with verbal commands means I am NOT hearing you



I have special communication needs

See the back of this card for the best  
ways to communicate with me.

**I am Deaf**

**Officer**, I am deaf. This means that I normally communicate using American Sign Language. My speech is limited, and often slurred, so you may not be able to understand me. I may try to speechread (lipread) you, but my speechreading skills are far from perfect. If you or a fellow officer cannot sign, either write your instructions on a piece of paper for me, or get me a qualified ASL interpreter.

**Note:** In the event of a medical emergency or police proceedings, I am entitled to have a qualified sign language interpreter provided under the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). (See Section 504, Rehab. Act/Title II of ADA.)

To facilitate effective communication, whether speechreading or signing, be sure there is enough light for me to see your face/hands clearly. If not, move under a streetlight or into a lighted area. Also, don't shine your flashlight in my eyes. I need to see YOUR face/hands to "hear" you.

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### **I am a Deaf Person**

When "talking" to me, please either:

Sign to me using American Sign Language (ASL), or  
write things down.

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