

Cradle of Liberty Council, BSA

Troop 272 - Minquas District

PennDot Adopt-A-Highway Program Safety Recommendations:

Participants should:

- Know emergency procedures such as:
 - the location of the nearest emergency facility (*Riddle Hospital*)
 - how to summon the police or ambulance (911)
- Provide their own personal first-aid kit and include kit with other supplies during litter pick-up.
- Avoid overexertion and heat problems by drinking water and taking breaks.
- Carpool to litter pick-up sites.
- Wear the recommended attire: long sleeves, blue jeans or long pants, leather shoes or boots and gloves.
- Be careful of contact with: poisonous plants, bees, wasps, hornets, fire ants and snakes. The recommended attire will usually prevent irritations from most plants.
- Pay special attention to the handling of broken glass. Participants must be careful not to step or kneel on broken glass.
- Be aware of visibility problems on roadways.
- Be prepared for any unexpected behavior of motorists.
- Park vehicles a safe distance from the travelled roadway.
- Attempt to walk facing on-coming traffic.
- Do not stand or jump on guiderail, drainage pipes or concrete walls.

PennDot Adopt-A-Highway Program Safety Requirements:

Participants shall:

- Pick-up one side at a time when cleaning a multi-lane highway with a median. Vehicles shall remain on the same side of the highway as the participants.
- Never cross over or pick-up trash on the travelled pavement.
- Upon arriving at the work site, immediately display PennDOT's official "Litter Crew Ahead" safety sign in advance of pick-up site.
- Do not possess or drink alcoholic beverages.
- Use PennDOT safety training materials.
- Conduct at least one safety orientation meeting during the year.
- Provide appropriate and adequate adult supervision when youth groups are involved in litter pick-ups
- One adult per 8 participants between the ages of 8 and 17.
- Avoid peak traffic hours and extreme inclement weather conditions.
- Stay clear of all construction areas.
- Avoid horseplay and demonstrations of any nature on the right of way.
- Avoid hazardous materials such as: old car batteries, any unidentified questionable items & animal carcasses.
- Be aware of all known allergies of volunteers before participation.