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Code of Conduct – On road driving

1. Obey all the laws and regulations that apply to vehicles on public and private roads.
2. Respect the rights of others to use and share the road space – acknowledge that your vehicle may be wider and higher than others, so keep as far left of the road as possible so as to allow a following driver some oncoming line of sight before fully committing his vehicle to the opposite side of the road.
3. Keep a safe distance between vehicles – acknowledge that increased weight and tyre choice can affect braking distance. When following a smaller vehicle, increase the distance so that its mirrors have adequate vision beyond the larger vehicle.
4. Break up convoys into groups of no more than 5 vehicles with larger separation between groups. Leave overtaking space between groups – be aware of overtaking vehicles and their requirements when moving through the group.
5. Take care when cornering – acknowledge that increased weight combined with a raised centre of gravity can affect vehicle handling.
6. Take care when reversing - check blind spots and ensure that no one has walked behind your vehicle before you reverse. If necessary get out of the vehicle to make sure the area behind is clear.
7. Be aware of vision limitations and be particularly observant near children to avoid accidents.
8. Ensure your vehicle complies with relevant State legislation in relation to roadworthiness and modifications.
9. Keep your vehicle clean and in good mechanical condition to reduce the environmental impact.
10. Acknowledge that your four-wheel drive is a legitimate choice of lifestyle or family vehicle. Consider joining an affiliated four-wheel drive Club.

THIS CODE SUPPORTS THE NATIONAL
RECREATIONAL FOUR WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE POLICY.

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