# MANUFACTURINGAsk YourselfSAFETY ALERT"Could it happen here?"

## **DESCRIPTION OF EVENT**

#### Wildlife Encounter While Driving

While driving a pickup at 80 km/h on a secondary road in the late afternoon, a moose suddenly emerged from the thick roadside brush.

Despite efforts to brake and swerve, the vehicle collided with the moose.

The airbags did not deploy and the driver escaped uninjured but the vehicle sustained significant damage.

## SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- Stay alert for wildlife. Watch for wildlife crossing signs and be watchful in rural areas especially near water sources such as creeks and rivers, in grassland areas, and on long stretches of road in rural areas.
- Anticipate wildlife activity: Animal are often active during twilight and early morning hours.
- Modify your driving behaviour: Slow down and stay alert, especially in areas where wildlife may be present.
- Exercise extra caution: Be prepared for sudden movements and remember - if you see one animal, it's likely there are more nearby.





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### <u>MOST IMPORTANT</u> <u>TAKE AWAY</u>

Wildlife can appear unexpectedly. Stay alert and avoid distractions while driving.

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