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## CONVOY PROCEDURE'S

This document is to assist UAEOFFROADERS members in understanding basic convoy formation & movement off-road. These rules are to be followed vigorously by each & every member otherwise the entire convoy participants will be affected by one member's deviation,

### 1. CONVOY FORMATION:

👉 A convoy has 4 parts:

- A)** The leader [\*], **B)** The second lead [\*\*]. **C)** The participations vehicles,
- D)** The closing vehicle or a sweeper.

👉 In certain times a UAEOFFROADERS MARSHAL may remain loose from the convoy to independently aid troubled vehicles without affecting the progress of the convoy movement, this marshal is affectionately known as "THE SHEPHERD"

👉 The convoy leader is in charge of the entire convoy & navigation, Respect his authority & follow his guidance [\*]

👉 A convoy leader is always the first vehicle, then second lead, followed by the Members and of course the closing vehicle. The members are lined up from the least skilled to the most experience driver.

- Do not be intimidated to state your off-road skills. We have all been there at one point or another.

### 2. CONVOY GUIDELINES

👉 You will be positioned in the convoy according to your skill. The leader will issue you a number or description as to where you are in the convoy, **DO NOT** swap or exchange your position unless you get permission to do so.

**Never pass the vehicle in front of you.**

👉 The reason your position in the convoy is so important because you are responsible for the car behind you.

**Keep a regular eye on the car behind you though your rear vision mirror. If you do not see him STOP and wait for him, while flashing your headlights at the vehicle in front of you, as a signal that the convoy has been broken and stopped.**

👉 Keep at least **20m distance between you and the vehicle in front of you**

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### 3. OFF-ROAD

👉 If an obstacle is longer than 20m such as an uphill climb or high desert dune.  
**DO NOT** follow the vehicle in front of you unless they make the run successfully

👉 **If you need assistance or need to stop, immediately turn on your hazard lights**  
The convoy leader is also the pathfinder. If he encounters a hard obstacle to late, he will advise second lead to find an alternative around the obstacle.

#### \* Convoy leader

The convoy leader will choose a route most suitable for the level of the trip,  
(Rookie, Junior Offroader or Senior Offroader).

👉 In the event the convoy leader comes up against an obstacle he/she deems difficult for the rest of the convoy, the leader will instruct the Second lead not to follow and find an alternative route.

#### \*\* Second Lead

👉 When choosing the 2<sup>nd</sup> lead, the leader must ensure that they will be able to Communicate clearly via radio and understand each other. The 2<sup>nd</sup> lead is expected to give full attention to the leader, route and convoy.

We wish you all the best and always drive safe on and offroad,  
on behalf of UAEOFFROADERS.COM

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