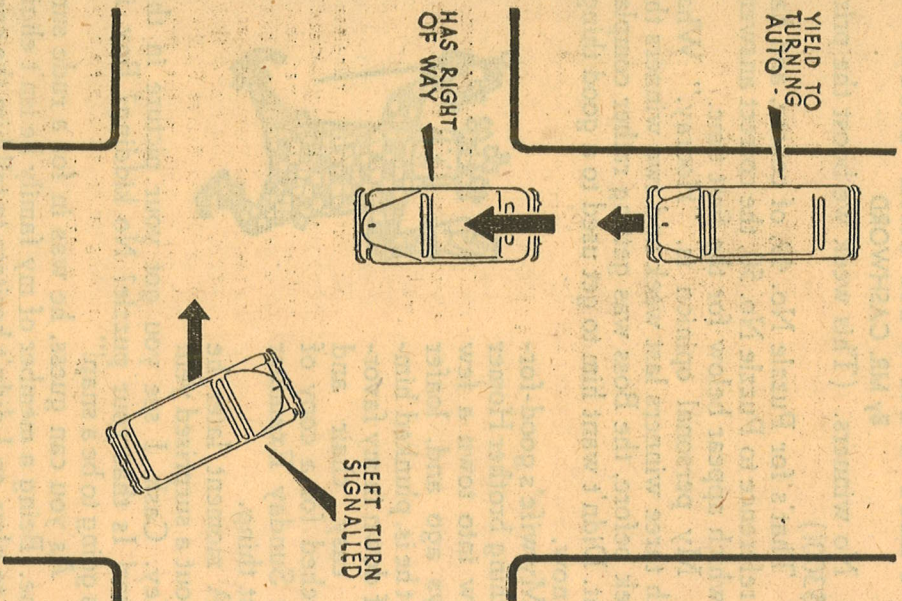


# Autos



## Safety Memo

### Auto Right of Way And Traffic Laws

*(Modern Living, in co-operation with Police Traffic Director Capt. Otto Mejer, presents this fourth in a series of Safety Memos. These are reminders to drivers about the basic traffic laws.)*

VIOLATIONS of the vehicle right of way rank fourth in San Francisco in accident causes, despite the fact that the police department last year issued 9,638 court citations for this type of violation.

Law enforcement officials constantly puzzle about why a person will step back and allow a stranger to walk through a doorway first, then when he gets behind the wheel of his car will toss away all thoughts of courtesy.

Here is a synopsis of the right of way laws from the California Vehicle Code:

1—A driver approaching an intersection not controlled by signals or stop signs shall yield the right of way to a vehicle which has entered the intersection from a different highway.

2—When two cars enter at

the same time, the car on the left yields to the car on the right.

3—An auto within an intersection ready to turn left yields to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction that is in the intersection or so close to it as to constitute an immediate hazard.

4—This turning driver, having yielded and after making a signal, may make his left turn. He has the legal right of way over all other approaching traffic.

5—At stop sign or flashing red signal, drivers must yield right of way to cars in the intersection or approaching so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard. Then the stopping driver can proceed, having the right of way over other traffic.

6—A car entering a road from private road, driveway or alley, must yield to all approaching traffic.

Police warn, however, that in reality the only time you ever have the right of way is when some one yields it to you. If they don't yield it, you don't have it.