

Shared Learning

Driving | Serious crash | Thermal site

What happened?

A contractor was involved in a serious collision when they turned into a road with oncoming traffic.

The contractor looked left and right but did not notice any oncoming traffic, so they entered the road. They heard a horn, and when they looked in their mirrors, they could not see due to sun strike. A dust covered back window also blocked their view. On hearing the horn, they made a split-second decision to move lanes to avoid the oncoming vehicle. Unbeknown to them, the other driver had decided to overtake their car resulting in a serious collision.

What did we learn?

Beat the glare.

- Keep your mirrors and wind screen clean.
- Use your sun visor or sunglasses.
- Do not stare directly at the sun.
- Pull over and wait until visibility improves.
- Be Seen, use headlights during the day.
- Slow down and drive to the conditions.
- Make sure your wind screen reservoir is topped up and wipers are in good condition.

**Drive to the
conditions!!**

