

PROPER CONTROL.¹

With respect to the [plaintiff's] [defendant's] (*state number*) contention, the operator of a motor vehicle on a highway has a duty to keep the vehicle under proper control. This means that the operator is at all times under a duty to operate the vehicle at a speed and in a manner which allows him to maintain that degree of control over the vehicle which a reasonably careful and prudent person would have maintained under the same or similar circumstances. (When the conditions existing at the scene increase the danger in comparison to normal conditions, the care required of the operator is correspondingly increased.)

A violation of this duty is negligence.

¹If the circumstances involve skidding, use N.C.P.I.--Civil 201.31 instead of 201.30.

