



Communication

Verbal	
Courteous	Regardless of the situation.
Professional	
Clear and concise	Speak slowly and clearly when using the radio. Use the fewest descriptive words possible.
Open with team	Always be willing to share with the team.
Appropriate	Think about the best time and place to communicate something.
Positive engagement	Say things like "Have a safe day!"

Non-Verbal	
Confident posture	Stand up straight.
Body language	Don't slouch or look "bored."
Use eyes to communicate intent, redirect	Look where you're going.
Acknowledge people and drivers	Give drivers brief eye contact to humanize interactions.

Always	
De-escalate	Defuse. Don't start or try to finish arguments. Safety is more important than winning. Put safety first. Try removing yourself from a situation in a respectful manner.
Think first, pause	
Leverage teams and support resources	If something is "pushing your buttons," defer to others for guidance and support.
Balance sensitivity with honesty in awkward situations	

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