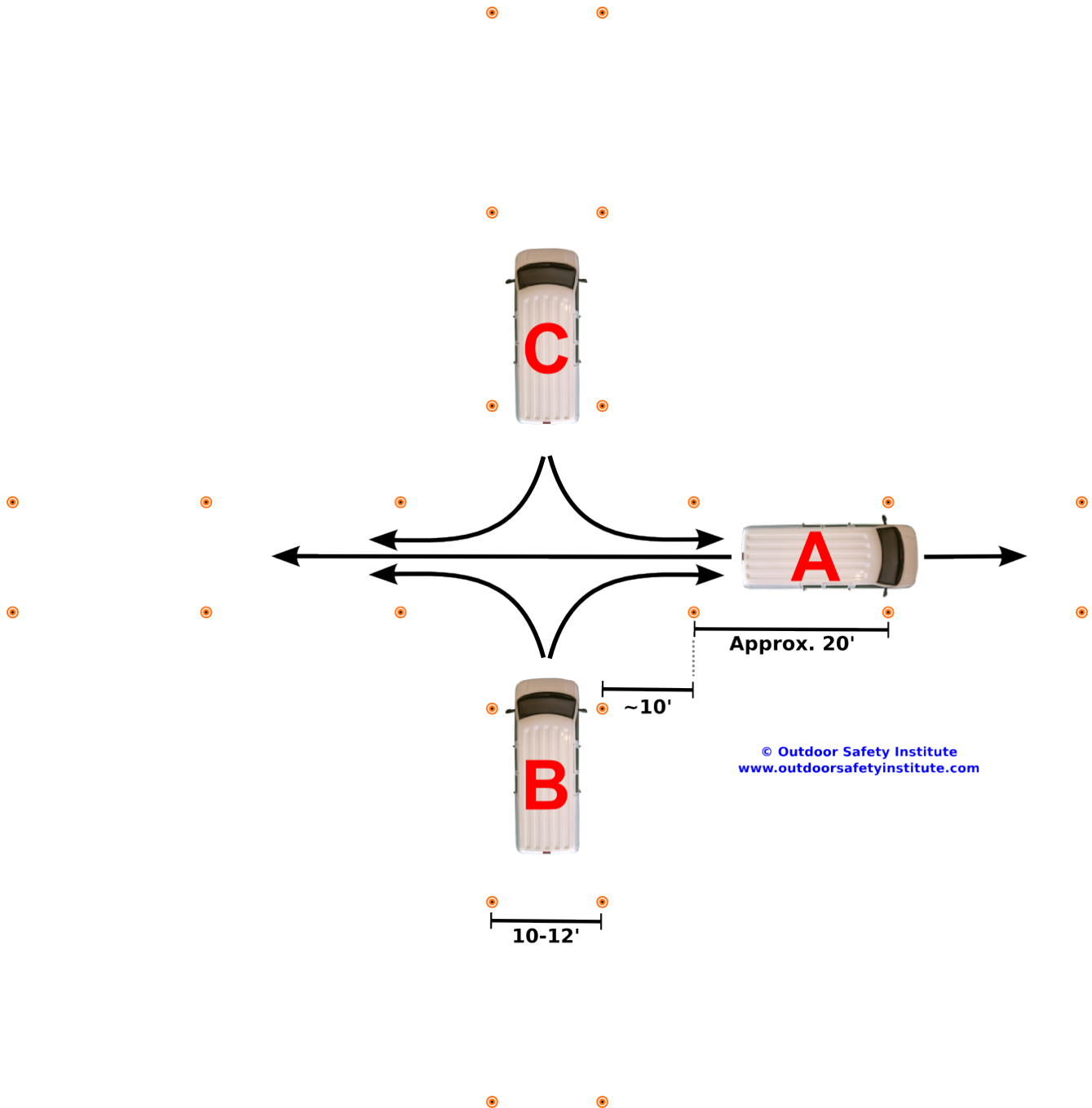




Cone Course Ideas

The diagram below illustrates a simple cross setup that can be used for the first two exercises. You may need to provide a little more spacing for practicing with a trailer.



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Course Setups

Straight Line: Try it backwards and forwards, many staff will have a hard time backing up straight, especially with a trailer ("A" in the diagram).

90° Turns: Left and right, forwards (See "B") and backwards (See "C"). This is where many staff will have a hard time.

S-Turns: Avoid a series of cones placed in the vehicles path by weaving around them. Setup a row of cones about 30 feet apart (not illustrated).

Parallel Parking: Create a "parking space" demarcated by cones (not illustrated).

Educational Approaches

One on one: Low intensity with just the student and an instructor

Group challenge: A group event where there is some element of competition (this may be the most fun people will ever have with driver training)

Testing: As a test of driving proficiency (probably following other experience with the course)

You might also consider letting staff use a vehicle on the course without an instructor present to allow for some low-pressure practice time.

Refer to the full article for additional information:

http://www.outdoorsafetyinstitute.com/index.php/news/single/driver_training_cone_courses/

Be safe! These are low speed exercises. 15 Passenger vans can be tippy, don't ever push your limits.