



## Waddayaknow ... Newton Was Right!

Here's your science fact for the week: Newton's first law ... a moving object will keep moving at the same speed and in the same direction unless acted on by some force.

Case in point ... This truck was loaded with a bunch of oxygen cylinders. The driver braked to stop at an intersection while traveling at a higher than necessary speed. As you can see, the truck stopped ... but the cylinders kept on moving.

Hey folks, you don't have to be a physicist to understand the basic science involved here. This fella could have been killed. If you're going to transport things in your vehicle, make sure they are properly loaded and secured so they don't act as missiles if you have to rapidly decelerate.

One more plug, if I may ... just remember that *you* are subject to the same law of inertia that propelled these O<sub>2</sub> cylinders through the windshield. If your car comes to an instant stop because of an accident, your body *will* keep on going unless something is holding you back. Think about it! Buckle up.