

Winter Weather Road Safety

When dangerous winter weather strikes, do not drive unless it is absolutely necessary. The leading cause of death and injuries during winter storms is transportation accidents.

If you must travel, remember these tips:

- ✔ Make sure your car is stocked with gear for your trip, such as:
 - Blankets
 - Snow shovel
 - Flashlight & batteries
 - Warm clothing
 - Tire chains
 - Jumper cables
 - Quick-energy food
 - Brightly-colored cloths (distress flag)
- ✔ Fill your gas tank full before traveling; try to keep it full.
- ✔ Keep your cellphone or two-way radio battery charged.
- ✔ Ensure someone knows you are traveling.
- ✔ Clear your windshield of ice and snow to ensure vision is clear.
- ✔ Plan your stops, keep your distance and control your speed.