

Winter Safe Driving Tips

Prevent crashes, injury, and inconvenience



Take Vehicle to mechanic for a maintenance check:

Check Tire tread, snow tires increase ability to stop and can prevent crashes.

Check engine and all fluids.

Maintain levels of washer fluid, radiator and gas in tank.

Prepare - It takes extra time/start early:

Check local news (wktv.com) for weather/closing alerts and highway condition reports
<https://511ny.org/>

Before driving - remove snow from exhaust pipe, turn car on to warm, defrost windows, and clear snow off car and lights

Remember ramps and bridges freeze before road surfaces

Increase distance between your car and the car in front of you

Reduce Speed of car, snow and ice are slippery. Stopping takes extra time

Learn how to recover from skids, roads are slippery in the winter

Know if you have Antilock Braking System (ABS) brakes; NEVER pump ABS brakes

Carry emergency supplies:

Flashlight, hat, mittens, blanket, and flares (lighter/matches in waterproof bag)

Drinking water; nuts, dried fruit, and hard candy

Shovel, ice scraper, and jumper cables

Sand, salt/ice melt or kitty litter if you get stuck and for extra traction in back of car

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