

Cold Weather Driving

Stay safe by being prepared.



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Plan Ahead



Have a professional check antifreeze and windshield washer fluid levels, the battery, brakes, headlights, exhaust system, heater and defroster.

Inspect windshield wiper blades and replace them if necessary.



Keep your gas tank at least half full at all times. If you have an electric vehicle, make sure it's charged, and plan ahead for charging stations.

Check the tires for proper air pressure and tread depth, and replace them if necessary.



Carry a roadside emergency kit

with jumper cables, warning flares or markers, a collapsible shovel, salt or cat litter, and a blanket.

Know your insurance coverage and where to find your policies.

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Before You Leave

Check the weather forecast.



Turn on the heater and defroster to make sure they still work properly.

Notify family or friends of your travel plans and route.



While Driving

Use extra caution on bridges and overpasses.



If a plow is on the road, stay far behind it.



Leave plenty of room between you and the vehicle in front of you.

Allow extra time to get to your destination.



Keep your headlights on for safety.

In Case of Emergency

If you get stuck in the snow and it's safe, stay with your car and wait for help.

If it's not safe and you must leave your vehicle, turn on your hazard lights and interior dome light, and put bright markers on the antenna or windows.

Remove snow near the exhaust pipe to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.



If you have an accident, contact us as soon as possible to report damage and file a claim. [LEARN MORE](#)



Run the engine in short bursts, for 10 minutes at a time.

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