

SAFETY TIPS FOR WINTER DRIVING



Driving in wintry conditions can be a bone-chilling experience for many drivers. Here are some tips to help you stay safe on the road during the winter months.

1.

BEFORE YOU GO



Check weather and road conditions and plan your route accordingly.



Give yourself plenty of travel time so there is no temptation to drive faster than conditions allow.



Ensure good visibility by clearing snow and ice from windows and any external mirrors, camera lenses and/or sensors.

ON SLIPPERY ROADS

2.

Take your time and do not drive faster than what is safe.

Accelerate and decelerate slowly and smoothly and allow plenty of stopping distance.

Stay alert and focused on the driving task.

Do not use cruise control while driving on a slick road.



3.

IF YOU RUN INTO TROUBLE



When visibility is very limited, find a safe place to completely pull off the road and wait for conditions to improve.

Do not remain on the shoulder unless it is an absolute emergency, as other vehicles may not be able to see you.

Avoid leaving your car unless you're positive you can find help and can easily return to your vehicle.