

Winter Driving

While snow can be fun, it creates an extra hazard on the roads. Below are some tips to remember while driving in snow or ice.

- ▶ **Allow for extra time:** A trip that should take 30 minutes, could take 45 minutes to 1 hour.
- ▶ **Make sure you can see:** All windows should be cleared of snow and ice before beginning travel. Keep an ice scraper in your vehicle. Make sure your window washing system is full and is properly working.
- ▶ **Allow for extra following distance:** Do not follow a vehicle too closely. Give yourself plenty of room to break.
- ▶ **Sliding on ice can happen to anyone:** Remember that just because you have 4-wheel drive, doesn't mean your vehicle still can't slide on ice. The bigger the vehicle, the harder it is to stop.
- ▶ **Watch for black ice:** If the road looks like it is covered in ice, then it probably is.

If You Start to Slide:

It is very easy to start to panic when your vehicle starts to slide. Remember these tips below to help prevent an accident.

- ▶ **Don't slam on your brakes:** Braking triggers slides and makes existing slides worse!
- ▶ **Turn into the slide:** Turn your wheels in the direction the back of the vehicle is sliding.
- ▶ **Don't panic and don't overcorrect:** Overcorrecting may send the car into an unrecoverable spin.

When driving in winter conditions, it is important to increase your attention. Keep both hands on the steering wheel at all times and keep your mind on your driving.

Discuss recent incidents (if any):

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