

Did You Know...

THE 3 P's OF SAFE WINTER DRIVING?

Winter driving can be hazardous and scary. Additional preparations can help make a trip safer, or help motorists deal with an emergency.

The 3 P's of safe winter driving are: **PREPARE** for the trip; **PROTECT** yourself; and **PREVENT** crashes on the road

PREPARE:

- Maintain your car – check the battery, lights, ignition, breaks and fluids.
- Change over to winter tires and ensure they have adequate tread depth and are properly inflated.
- Stock up on winter-specific windshield washer fluid and fill your reservoir before your trip.
- Prepare an emergency kit including: a flashlight, jumper cables, sand/kitty litter, shovel, snow brush, ice scraper, warning devices, and blankets.
- Plan your routes and give yourself lots of time.

PROTECT:

- Buckle up and use child safety seats properly.
- Wear a thin coat, or remove your coat while driving for better seat belt protection.
- Remove snow from the entire vehicle before driving.
- Ensure your exhaust pipe is clear of any obstructions so carbon monoxide doesn't build up inside the vehicle.

PREVENT:

- Slow down and increase distances between cars.
- Move your eyes (scan) to avoid "tunnel vision" during snow storms
- Avoid driving while fatigued.



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