



Winter Driving

It is most dangerous to drive during winter months, due to the snow and ice on the road. There are many tips you should follow to prepare for safe driving during the winter. The following tips will help you learn how to drive in the snow, and how to prepare for trips in the winter.

How to Drive in the Snow:

- Find out the size of chains needed for your tires, and keep them in your vehicle at all times. Only mount the chains when necessary for weather conditions or required by law.
- Slowly accelerate and decelerate, to keep traction. Keep in mind that it takes longer to accelerate, slow down, and turn when driving on snow and ice.
- Instead of trying to speed up while driving on a hill, try to build up inertia while on a flat road, before you start driving up the hill.

Be Prepared:

- Keep your gas tank at least half full at all times.
- Keep an emergency supply of blankets, warm clothing, water, non-perishable food, and any needed medication in your vehicle.
- Before long trips, check your vehicle's main systems:
 - ◇ Ignition
 - ◇ Brakes
 - ◇ Tire wear and air pressure
 - ◇ Antifreeze level and freeze line
 - ◇ Make sure your exhaust pipe isn't clogged with ice, snow, or mud



Resources

[AAA Winter Driving Tips](#)

[NSC Prepare for Winter Driving](#)

[How To Drive in Snow](#)

[Winter Tire Chain Use](#)

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