WINTER DRIVING
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Annual US Statistics

• Over 70% of the nation's roads are located in snowy regions (receive more than five inches average snowfall annually)

• Over 1,300 people are killed and more than 116,800 people are injured in crashes on snowy, slushy or icy pavement each year

• Nearly 900 people are killed and nearly 76,000 people are injured in vehicle crashes during snowfall or sleet
Safety Tips

- Accelerate & decelerate slowly
- Slow down (the posted speed limits are for dry roads)
- The normal following distance of 3 to 4 seconds should be increased to 8 to 10 seconds
- Don’t stop if you can avoid it
- Know your brakes (stomp on antilock brakes, pump on non-antilock brakes)
- Stay calm if you start to skid
- Stay home. If you don’t have to go out, don’t

BE PREPARED!!

Prior to leaving, make sure the below items are operating correctly:
- Windshield Wiper Fluid
- Heater/Defroster
- Lights
- Fuel System
- Ignition
- Exhaust System
- Brakes
- Tire Tread
Be More Prepared

- Sturdy scraper/snow brush/snow shovel to clear snow
- Flashlight with extra batteries/crank flashlight
- Survival blanket/sleeping bag
- Chemical hand warmers
- Extra set of clothes, including coat, hat, mittens, boots, etc.
- Gallon jug of water & nonperishable food
- First Aid Kit & essential medications
- Tire chains & tow strap
- Non-clumping kitty litter/sand for traction
- Jumper cables
- Deck of cards/entertainment

DRIVE SAFE! 😊
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