

Winter Driving Tips

Be Prepared

- ❄ Make sure your vehicle is in good repair
- ❄ Replace worn tires
- ❄ Check all fluids
- ❄ Never let your gas tank get below ¼ full
- ❄ Keep some extra supplies in your vehicle in the event of an emergency (see Winter Auto Supply Check List)

Winter Auto Supply Check List

- ✓ Blanket
- ✓ Extra gloves and hats
- ✓ Small shovel
- ✓ Bottle of water
- ✓ Granola bars
- ✓ First-aid kit
- ✓ Extra windshield washer fluid
- ✓ Flashlight



Driving

- ❄ Allow extra time
- ❄ Always completely clear your windshield and all windows before moving your vehicle

- ❄ Increase the distance you would normally follow another vehicle
- ❄ Remember the roads may be slippery or icy – Slow Down
- ❄ Turning **and stopping** will be greatly affected
- ❄ Remember, bridges and overpasses will freeze before the roadway
- ❄ Although 4 wheel drive vehicles have better traction in slippery conditions, it doesn't mean they won't slide on ice or snow when braking
- ❄ Use your low beam headlights during snow storms or other inclement weather
- ❄ If visibility becomes poor, find a safe place to pull over until conditions improve. Driving at a crawl often causes chain reaction crashes
- ❄ If your vehicle becomes stuck or disabled, wait inside until help arrives. Use a cell phone to call for help. If you're in the City of Brecksville, call 526-8900 on your cell phone, not 911.