WINTER SAFETY TIPS

Ice and snow take it slow.
keep reading for driving safety tips as well as tips for a safe home!
safety

keep the gas tank full

inspect your vehicle's antifreeze, battery, brakes & brake fluid, defroster, heater, lights, motor oil, seatbelts, tire pressure, windshield wiper fluid, & wiper blades

check the weather forecast

store items that you will need in an emergency:

- food
- water
- gloves
- boots
- flashlight
- batteries
- blanket
- medication
- road flares
- first-aid kit
if your vehicle skids
push down hard on the brakes. If you do not have anti-lock brakes gently pump the pedal.

watch for black-ice
which forms on bridges, off-ramps, and shady areas before it does elsewhere.

slow down on curves

slow down ahead of time for intersections

slow = safe
Snow Plow Safety

Stay outta their way and you’ll have a safe day!

- It’s hard for snow plows to see other vehicles
- Snow plows, like trucks, make wide
- You could possibly get hit with snow and ice debris
signal to other motorists that you are stranded. Use flares, a flashlight or tie a bright cloth to your antenna. Clear snow from in front of the tailpipe to prevent carbon monoxide build-up. **Turn your wheels from side to side to push snow out of the way!**

**Store** a window scraper/brush, jumper cables, emergency cash, a small shovel, & a bag of sand or cat litter for tire traction.
home safety

IF YOUR HEAT GOES OUT, RUN WATER AT A TRICKLE TO PREVENT PIPES FROM FREEZING & BURSTING

STORE:
flashlight & portable radio with batteries,
canned food & a manual opener,
water & lots of blankets

PERISHIBLE FOOD CAN BE STORED OUTSIDE IN THE SNOW OR IN AN UNHEATED GARAGE
clean = safe

- clean hallways & doorways so exits are easily accessible
- have your heater/furnace/chimney checked & cleaned
- remember to open the chimney flue before starting a fire in your fireplace
- place space heaters at least 3 feet from flammable objects
- update batteries in smoke alarms & carbon monoxide detectors
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