

Topic: Shift into Winter

Tips for Safe Winter Driving

- Maintain a safe following distance
- Drop your speed to match road conditions
- Watch for black ice and accelerate and brake slowly
- Avoid sudden moves and know how to handle a skid
- See and be seen
- Be extremely cautious when approaching highway maintenance vehicles

Prepare Your Vehicle for Winter Weather

- Install winter tires
- Change your wiper blades to winter blades
- Get your car winter ready with a maintenance check up
- Clear snow and ice from all windows, lights, mirrors, hood, etc.
- Be prepared by packing a winter survival kit
- Make sure your water reservoir is full
- If you have a cell phone, make sure it is charged and bring it with you
- Keep your gas tank topped up
- If you get stuck in a storm, don't panic



Prepare Yourself for Winter Driving

- Before starting your trip, check the current road conditions and weather forecast
- Plan your route ahead of time and leave lots of time
- Drive according to road and weather conditions
- Learn and practice winter driving skills before you need them
- Wear comfortable clothing
- If you absolutely need to go out in a storm, take someone with you



For all the safe winter driving tips and educational tools, visit www.worksafebc.com