

# Prevent Home Hazards!

## Heat Sources

- When using a fireplace, wood stove, portable heater or generators, use safeguards and properly ventilate.
- Use certified heaters that have safety features (auto off). *Never leave unattended.* Place heaters on a nonflammable level surface. Keep combustible materials at least 3 feet away from heaters.
- If you're using a gas furnace, make sure vents are not blocked by snow.

**Test smoke alarms to make sure they are working. Replace batteries once a year.**

## Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

- Known as the invisible killer, because you cannot see or smell it!
- Make sure to have working carbon monoxide detectors in your home.

**Never use portable generators, charcoal grills or camp stoves inside your home.**

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# Are You Prepared?



Cellphone  
Charger



First Aid  
Kit



Jumper  
Cables



Spare Tire  
and Tire  
Chains



Flares or  
Signaling device



Water  
and Snacks



Full Tank  
of Gas



Sand or Kitty  
Litter



Mittens, Hat,  
Boots, Warm  
Clothes



Flashlight



Snow Shovel  
and Brush



Blankets



Tow Strap

You never know when you will encounter winter weather or an emergency road closure.

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Winter  
Storm Take  
You By  
Surprise!**

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# Stay Safe on the Road This Winter!

## Slow Down

Leave early and add cushion to your normal drive.

## Skid Smart

Learn how to handle your car BEFORE you go into a skid. Winter driving classes can be a great idea.

## Be Prepared

Road delays happen. Put together and carry a road trip safety kit.

## Have Patience

Be willing to wait for better road conditions.

## Shoulder Safety

If you pull over, get as far off the shoulder as possible. Turn off headlights and turn on hazards.

## Don't Use Cruise Control

Your tires may spin too fast on slick roads, causing you to lose control.

## Passing Precaution

Allow more distance for passing—or just don't pass.

## Be Seen

Turn on your low-beam headlights even during the day.

## Keep Your Stopping Distance

It can take 10 times longer or more to stop on ice.

**Perhaps the best tip of all: ride safe, slow down, and enjoy the views.**

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