

Winter Driving Tips

Drive safely!

Please drive safely and keep these tips in mind:

- Always “Buckle Up” before you drive.
- Clear snow and ice from the windows, headlamps and tail lamps to increase your visibility and to ensure others see you.
- Accelerate and decelerate slowly so that the wheels do not spin. Avoid sudden starts, stops and turns.
- Drive slower and keep a safe following distance. Posted speed limits are for ideal conditions and vary under severe weather. A car travelling 20 m.p.h. on dry surface can stop in 25 feet however it can take up to 150 feet to stop on an icy road. Campus posted speed limit is 15 m.p.h.
- Roadway conditions may vary depending on the sun, shade or roadway surface. Watch for slick spots and black ice especially around curves. Be aware of your surroundings.
- Remember that low beams work better than high beams during snowy or foggy conditions.
- If your car is equipped with an anti-lock braking system (ABS), press firmly on the brake pedal. Do not pump the pedal or remove your foot from the brake. You will typically feel the brake pedal “pulse” back against your foot. If your car does not have ABS: for braking under icy or snowy conditions it's best to apply the brakes firmly, to a point just short of lock-up, then ease off of the pedal slightly.

