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SIP-TIP: SAFE WINTER DRIVING

If you drive for a living, you probably take your job seriously. You know your motor vehicle can be a deadly machine if you're not careful.

In fact, someone dies from a motor vehicle accident every 11 minutes, and someone else is injured every 18 seconds.



To be a safe driver, know and obey your company's driving rules. Know and obey the traffic rules and laws of the area in which you drive. Pay attention to winter weather conditions, adjusting your driving patterns and travel time when necessary.

Also, carry emergency equipment in your vehicle that's appropriate for winter weather. This includes sand for better traction along with a shovel, snow brush/ice scraper and blankets.

Plan your route for whenever you hit the road. Be familiar with the maps and directions to avoid confusion. And let others know what routes you'll take and when you expect to arrive.

Always maintain your vehicle, especially in cold weather. Check the battery and tire treads. Look at the cooling system's antifreeze level and put no-freeze fluid in the washer reservoir. Secure all loose objects in the vehicle so nothing will fly around inside during a sudden stop. Use seat belts all the time and properly adjust the mirrors whenever you get into the vehicle.

**REDUCE SPEED
ON WET
PAVEMENT**

Be aware of road conditions, traffic and your own state of mind whenever you're in the vehicle. In snowy and icy conditions, slow down and keep extra distance between you and the vehicle ahead. If you begin to skid, steer into the direction of the skid. Concentrate on what you're doing, remaining calm and controlled at all times.

Constantly look ahead, behind and to both sides for changes in traffic or road conditions. Always be prepared to slow down or stop when necessary.

Safe drivers like you should also:

- Use caution when approaching intersections
- Yield the right-of-way to prevent accidents
- Never tailgate
- Be alert to 'blind spots' when changing lanes
- Avoid changing lanes unnecessarily.

Are you a safe driver? There's still time to become one.

REMEMBER: ALWAYS MAINTAIN YOUR VEHICLE BY CHECKING THE BATTERY, TIRE TREADS AND ANTIFREEZE LEVEL. IF YOU BEGIN TO SKID, STEER IN THE DIRECTION OF THE SKID AND REMAIN CALM AND CONTROLLED AT ALL TIMES.