



# WINTER DRIVING

GET READY FOR WINTER

## **WINTER WEATHER PRE-TRIP** ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Colder Temperatures

Please remember to have proper weather clothing such as gloves, hats, and winter coat. With wind frostnip, frostbite, and Hypothermia can set in quickly without proper attire.

### Additional Dark Hours

Use a quality flashlight. While inspecting the vehicle the need for a flashlight is always critical but will be more often used in winter. With gloves you should consider a head-mounted flashlight.

### Slippery Conditions

With cold and darkness stairs and ground can become very slippery. Please remember to walk like a penguin and wear your ice cleats and work boots in slippery conditions.

### Getting Stuck

Know how to use rear diff lock properly can help you at low speeds in certain situations.

### Tread Depth

Please inspect your tires. You will lose a lot of tread depth in 50,000 miles between B services. Don't allow low tread to cause slipping on the road.

### Extra Preparations:

Pick up a bottle of diesel treatment at your shop for extremely cold temps.

Prepare with extra blankets, non-perishable food and water.

Keep an eye on the weather report. Plan your trip and watch the weather. Driving into sub-par weather conditions can cause unique challenges.

Carry rain gear to ensure you don't get wet while performing pre-trip. In cold temps being wet is very dangerous.

Drain your air tanks to prevent condensation that can freeze in air line.

Check your safety vest to ensure that you will be more easily seen in an emergency situation.

Be aware of road closures due to weather. Many Interstates will close to prepare for or recover from a winter storm. If the road you need is closed, respect that.

Always prioritize safety. You are the captain of the ship.

## **CHECK YOUR BUNK HEATER!**

Please start your bunk heater now and ensure it is working. Route to a shop for repair if it fails.

