

# Summer and Winter Driving Checklist



## Tips for Safe Summer Driving

- Double check that all cargo is properly loaded and secured.
- Check that your vehicle tires, wipers, and lights are operational and in good condition.
- When roads are wet, increase following distance. Avoid driving through standing water. Pull over if visibility is impaired by rain or fog.
- During poor weather, turn on your low beams and slow down.
- Always use your flashers if you must pull over.
- If hydroplaning occurs, do not brake - ease your foot off the accelerator and decrease speed gradually.
- Keep a well stocked emergency kit in the vehicle.

## Tips for Safe Winter Driving

- Clear any accumulated snow or ice from all areas of your vehicle, including the windshield, hood, trunk, roof, and head and tail lights.
- Make sure headlights and taillights are visible and not obstructed by ice, snow, or mud. Check washer fluid level before driving on wet roads.
- Avoid driving on roads that have not been plowed or salted.
- Keep your headlights on at all times.
- Use caution on bridges and ramps. Be alert for the presence of black ice.
- Increase following distance and accelerate and brake slowly.
- Keep a well stocked emergency kit in the vehicle.