

In Winter



ADAPT
YOUR
DRIVING

Increase your
safety and that of
others, and avoid
penalties.

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Winter can be full of surprises.
Weather and road conditions vary
and can be unpredictable.

**Make sure the odds are in
your favour!**

HOW?

Once cold weather arrives:

- Give your vehicle a complete tune-up.
- Equip your vehicle with four winter tires that meet established standards and are in good condition. They are mandatory from December 1 to March 15 inclusive.
- Keep an emergency kit in your vehicle for unexpected events (for example: jumper cables, shovel, flashlight, blanket, matches and candles).

BEFORE HITTING THE ROAD

- Check the weather and road conditions with Québec 511.
- If in doubt, reschedule your trip.
- Completely remove all snow and ice from your vehicle.
- Completely clear your exhaust pipe.

ON THE ROAD

- Slow down and keep your distance.
- Watch out for icy roads—especially black ice!
- Turn on your low beams when it's dark out.
- Be patient around snow removal vehicles.

PENALTIES

Failing to adapt your driving to weather and road conditions

- \$60, plus costs;
- 2 demerit points.

Driving a vehicle covered with snow, ice or anything else that may detach from the vehicle

- \$60 to \$100, plus costs.

Failing to obey the order of a peace officer to clear your windshield and windows of anything (snow, ice, etc.) that reduces your ability to see

- \$100 to \$200, plus costs.

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