



## Winter Ready Checklist

Is your family ready for cold winter weather?

Use this Winter Preparedness Checklist to help you and your family prepare for cold-weather hazards in your home and on the road.

**Have the following on hand to keep your home accessible when there is snow or ice on walkways and driveways:**

- ✓ Snow shovel
- ✓ De-icing compound
- ✓ Sand to improve traction



**Be sure your home has emergency supplies on hand that can last at least three days:**

- ✓ Bottled water (1 gallon per person per day)
- ✓ Food that doesn't need refrigeration or heating (canned meats, etc.)
- ✓ Flashlights and batteries
- ✓ Prescription medicines
- ✓ Battery-powered radio
- ✓ First aid kit
- ✓ Clothing and blankets for each family member
- ✓ Cellular phone and emergency charger
- ✓ Pet food and additional water for pets
- ✓ Have a good supply of dry wood for your fireplace or wood-burning stove



**Winterize your home by insulating walls and attics, caulk and weather-strip doors and windows, install storm windows or cover windows with plastic.**

**Remember to help your neighbors, too!**

**Take precautions to avoid the flu:**

- ✓ Wash hands often and use your sleeve when coughing or sneezing
- ✓ Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth
- ✓ If you are sick with a flu-like illness, stay home and limit contact with others



**Ensure a safer driving experience this winter—be prepared, alert and cautious.**

Montana winter transportation can mean hazardous road conditions that can change in an instant.

**This checklist will help you prepare your car for winter driving.**

- ✓ A bag of sand, road salt or kitty litter for weight and traction if you get stuck
- ✓ Jumper cables
- ✓ Ice scraper
- ✓ Flashlight with batteries
- ✓ Knife
- ✓ Gallon of water
- ✓ First aid kit
- ✓ Blanket, coat, warm clothes
- ✓ Cellular phone and emergency charger
- ✓ Get your car ready for winter by bringing it to your local auto shop for an inspection



**REMEMBER:** If you find yourself stranded, be safe and stay in your car, put on your flashers, call for help and wait until it arrives.

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