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Driving through ice and snow

- Clear all windows, lights and number plates, so you can see and be seen. Clear snow off the roof and bonnet too before you drive away.
- Watch out for icy conditions - look for clues such as ice on the pavement or windscreen and take extra care. Accelerate and brake gently to avoid skidding.
- If you use a higher gear than normal it helps when driving on a slippery surface. Move off gently and avoid spinning the wheels.
- Leave extra space between you and other vehicles. Take even more care looking out for others that may not be able to stop and be extra cautious at road junctions where road markings may not be visible.
- Look out for gritters and snowploughs. They have flashing amber beacons and travel at slower speeds – around 40mph. Stay well back because salt or spray can be thrown across the road. Don't overtake unless it is safe to do so – there may be un-cleared snow on the road ahead.



**Whatever the
severe weather
always adjust
your driving
according to the
conditions**

Make sure you can see clearly and that you can be seen. Use at least dipped headlights in poor visibility – and don't just rely on daytime running lights if you have them.