



## Be Safe On The Road In Winter

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Winter road safety is crucial to prevent accidents and ensure a smooth and secure driving experience during the cold and often challenging winter months. Here are some important tips to help you stay safe on the road during winter:

**1. Prepare your vehicle:** Ensure that your vehicle is well-maintained. Check the battery, brakes, tires, and fluids to ensure they are in good condition and suitable for winter driving.

**2. Use winter tires:** Install winter tires that provide better traction on snow and ice. Make sure they are properly inflated and have sufficient tread depth to navigate through slippery conditions.

**3. Drive according to the conditions:** Adjust your driving behavior to accommodate the weather conditions. Reduce your speed and increase your following distance to allow for longer braking distances on icy or snowy roads.

**4. Keep a winter emergency kit:** Carry a winter emergency kit in your vehicle, including items such as a flashlight, extra clothing, blankets, non-perishable food, water, a first-aid kit, and a shovel in case you get stuck.

**5. Clear snow and ice:** Remove all snow and ice from your vehicle before driving. Clear the windows, mirrors, lights, and roof to ensure maximum visibility and prevent any snow from dislodging while driving, which can be hazardous for other drivers.

6. Stay informed: Check weather and road conditions before heading out. Stay updated on any weather warnings or advisories, and plan your route accordingly. Be aware of any road closures or advisories issued by local authorities.

**7. Drive defensively:** Be cautious of other drivers and anticipate their actions. Watch out for reckless or inexperienced drivers, and maintain a safe distance from them.

**8. Avoid sudden maneuvers:** Avoid sudden braking, accelerating, or turning, as these actions can lead to loss of control on slippery roads. Make slow and deliberate movements to maintain stability.

**9. Stay calm in emergencies:** If you find yourself in a skid or a potentially dangerous situation, remain calm and avoid making sudden movements. Steer gently in the direction you want to go and avoid overcorrecting.

By following these winter road safety tips, you can significantly reduce the risk of accidents and ensure a safer driving experience during the challenging winter months.

For power outages, emergency power troubles and service requests, contact the distribution system operator for FENN REA: **ATCO Electric** Phone toll-free: 1-800-668-2248

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# Safety Tips

Electricity can energize vehicles and objects in car accidents. In the event of a car accident involving a power line or pole, there are important things you should know to keep yourself and others safe.

Accidents can happen. If you've crashed into a power pole, here are some life-saving tips:

- If you can safely drive out from under the line and pole, do so. Drive at least 10 meters away about the length of a bus.
- 2. If you are injured, if the vehicle is inoperable, or there are obstacles, dial 9-1-1 and stay where you are until help arrives.
- If you must leave the vehicle, due to unsafe conditions, jump away from the vehicle, feet together, and shuffle 10 meters away from the vehicle.
- 4. If you witness an accident, call 9-1-1 right away.

Always assume that any vehicle involved in the accident is dangerous. Downed or broken power lines may be energized, even if they're not sparking, smoking, or making a buzzing sound.

### Stay Up to Date with FENN REA

If you have had any changes to phone numbers, email addresses, mailing addresses, or wish to add other contact details to your account, please connect with us toll-free at 1.877.428.3972 or email: <u>brpc@brpower.coop</u> and we will ensure your account is updated.

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### Regulated Rate Option (RRO)

The RRO rate may increase or decrease from month to month as it is priced on the open market and subject to many factors relating to supply and demand. If you do not have a contract with an electricity retailer, then you receive the default RRO rate.

For October 2023, the RRO is priced at \$0.15271 per kWh, which is reflected on your enclosed bill. For November 2023, the Battle River Power Coop monthly RRO billing rate for FENN REA members is \$0.15048. The RRO rate is also listed on <u>www.fennrea.com</u>.

Members are free to purchase natural gas services or electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit <u>ucahelps.alberta.ca</u> or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta).