

FALL CAR CARE

Get your vehicle ready for cold weather driving

Changing weather and temperatures = potential effects on your vehicle. Following your vehicle's recommended maintenance checklist is key to reducing harmful emissions and passing your annual emissions test.



Check the lights. Ensure that all vehicle lights, including headlights, taillights, flashers, and brake lights, are in good working order.



Check the brakes. Both brakes and brake fluid are impacted by cold weather.



Check the tires. Tires lose air pressure more quickly during cold weather than during warmer weather. Low pressure contributes to lower gas mileage, decreased tire lifespan, and longer stopping times.



Check the heater and defroster. You'll be using both more often when the temperatures drop.



Check the battery. Keep it adequately charged over the winter months.



Stock a roadside emergency kit. Include items such as gloves, blankets, flashlights, a first aid kit, an ice scraper, reflective warning triangles, bottled water, jumper cables, and a portable phone charger.



Check the wipers. Make sure they're in good condition. And remember to use your vehicle's defroster and an ice scraper, not the wipers, to remove frost, snow, and ice from the windshield.

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