

# LINEHAUL SAFETY

(11/28 – 12/04)

Scan for safety tips:

"Adverse Weather"



## WINTER DRIVING SAFETY

Whether it's snow, sleet or ice, winter weather can cause extremely dangerous road conditions. In 2019, there were 440 fatal crashes, and an estimated 33,000 injury crashes that occurred in wintry conditions. Preparing yourself – and your vehicle – for winter weather is key.

**Ready your Vehicle:** Driving safely begins before you even get on the road. Regular tune-ups and maintenance are the starting point for safe driving year-round. In winter, pay special attention to your vehicle's battery, wipers, lights, coolant, tires, and other systems that can take a beating when the temperature drops. Clear your car of snow, ice or dirt from the windows, forward sensors, headlights, taillights and backup camera.

**Ready Yourself:** Drive slowly. It's harder to control or stop your vehicle on a slick or snow-covered road. Increase your following distance enough so that you'll have plenty of time to stop for vehicles ahead of you. Also remember that every vehicle handles differently; this is particularly true when driving on wet, icy, or snowy roads. Before heading out, know the weather and traffic conditions, and plan your route accordingly. Give yourself more time to get where you're going.

**Ready for an emergency:** Make sure your vehicle is stocked to help get you out of trouble or to keep you safe until help arrives. Keep blankets, flashlights, jumper cables, shovel, snow brush, ice scraper, gloves, reflectors, flares, or emergency lights in your vehicle.

**Safe Driving: Rain, sleet, snow:** Winter driving demands special care; safe driving is a year-round habit. You and everyone in your vehicle should be wearing seat belts for every ride. Never drive when distracted by an electronic device or anything else.

**REDUCE YOUR SPEED – STAY ALERT – AVOID DISTRACTIONS - MAINTAIN CONTROL**