



ODOT Tips

- ❄️ Keep at least **200 feet** between your vehicle and road clearing equipment.
- ❄️ **Do not pass** road clearing equipment.
- ❄️ **Wait for crews** to complete road clearing before approaching bridges and overpasses.
- ❄️ **Use caution** when entering or exiting highways.
- ❄️ **Be patient** – Clearance operations can last several days following a storm.

By The Numbers

- ❄️ ODOT crews stock approximately 175,000 tons of salt and sand.
- ❄️ ODOT maintains 148 salt sheds and more than 530 trucks are available statewide.
- ❄️ When snow and ice hits, nearly 1,000 ODOT crew members work around the clockshifts until highways are cleared.

✓ Emergency Kit Equipment

- Ice scraper or deicing spray
- Jumper cables
- Clay-based cat litter or sand
- Shovel
- Warm clothes
- Blankets
- High energy food
- Flashlights with extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Bright fabric tie for the antenna
- Gloves
- Paper towels
- Emergency flares or triangles
- Phone charger

Information provided by:

Oklahoma Department of Transportation 405-522-8000
 Oklahoma Department of Public Safety 405-425-2424
 Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management 405-521-2481
 AAA Oklahoma 800-222-4357
 Oklahoma Turnpike Conditions 877-403-7623
 Follow ODOT on Twitter: @OKDOT



ODOT Road Conditions
844-4OK-HWYS (844-465-4997)
www.okroads.org

Traveling During Winter Weather?



Snow and ice can make travel challenging. Knowing what to expect and planning ahead can make your trip safer and less stressful. If you absolutely have to travel during a winter storm, here are suggestions from multiple agencies that will help in planning your trip.





If you get stranded

- If you can still maneuver your vehicle, park clear of the travel lanes and downwind of exhaust fumes.
- If your vehicle is in contact with a power line, stay inside. Warn others not to touch the car or the power line. If you must leave, jump clear and roll away from the car to avoid touching the car and the ground at the same time.
- Call for help and wait until it arrives. Stay in your vehicle with your doors locked.
- Attach a brightly colored fabric tie to the antenna and turn on your flashers so emergency responders can see your vehicle.
- For heat, run the vehicle in short intervals to conserve fuel, being careful of exhaust fumes. Crack a window to vent any built-up carbon monoxide. (Check to make sure ice and snow haven't covered or clogged your tail pipe so dangerous fumes don't build up in your car.)

Before you leave

- Check battery, tires, belts, hoses, windshield wipers, brakes and all fluid levels.
- Make sure your vehicle has plenty of fuel. A good rule of thumb is to keep your fuel tank at least half full.
- Get updates on weather-related road conditions and closures from the Oklahoma Department of Transportation at www.okroads.org or by calling 844-4OK-HWYS (844-465-4997).
- Notify a friend or family member of your planned route and when you expect to arrive.
- Keep your cell phone charged. (In case of emergency, you can reach the Oklahoma Highway Patrol by dialing *55 or 911.)
- In your cell phone, include a number listed as ICE (In Case of Emergency) so that if you are not able to, emergency personnel can call a person important to you.
- Follow @OKDOT on Twitter.



Area Road Conditions:

Arkansas 501-569-2374

www.Arkansashighways.com

Colorado 303-639-1111

www.cotrip.org

Kansas 866-511-5368

www.KanDrive.org

Missouri 888-275-6637

www.modot.org

New Mexico 800-432-4269

www.nmroads.org

Oklahoma 844-465-4997

www.okroads.org

Texas 800-452-9292

www.txdot.gov

Rules to live by:

- ✓ Allow ample time to reach your destination.
- ✓ Always wear your seat belt.
- ✓ Drive with your headlights on even during the day.
- ✓ Clear snow and ice off all windows.
- ✓ Take it slow. If possible, limit travel during the storm.
- ✓ Remember that bridges and ramps will be the first to freeze.
- ✓ Be particularly aware of black ice.
- ✓ When possible, drive in the most cleared lane.
- ✓ While driving, make sure there are three to five car lengths between you and other vehicles.
- ✓ Snow and ice make stopping distances much longer.
- ✓ Anticipate the flow of traffic to avoid abrupt actions while steering.
- ✓ If your vehicle slides, steer the same direction you are sliding and take your foot off the gas and brake. Don't use cruise control while driving on slippery surfaces.



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