

Five Tips for Driving in Rain



Rain adds an extra level of danger when driving for work. Follow our tips for staying safe on wet roadways.

1. Be road-ready

Make sure tires have enough air pressure and tread. Check windshield wipers to see if they need to be replaced. If possible, avoid driving during heavy thunderstorms.

2. Turn on your lights

Rain makes it harder for other drivers to see your vehicle, so make sure to turn on your headlights.

3. Don't rush

Reduce speed by one-third on wet roads and increase to a three-second following distance.

4. Avoid skidding

If you start to lose control of the car, ease off the gas pedal until you regain traction and turn the steering wheel in the direction you're skidding. Avoid hard braking and taking sharp turns.

5. Turn around, don't drown

It is never safe to drive into flood waters. Just 12 inches of rushing water can carry away a small car and only two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles.

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