

WINTER DRIVING READINESS CHECKLIST



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Use this checklist before and during the cold season to keep your truck safe and reliable.

AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE THROUGH ROAD CHOICE	SYSTEM	WHAT TO CHECK / DO	WHY IT MATTERS
	Battery	☐ Inspect for wear, corrosion, and charge capacity. ☐ Always make sure batteries are charged to no less than 12.4 volts, or 75% state of charge. ☐ Replace if older than ~3 years.	Cold weather reduces battery effectiveness and can prevent starts.
	Coolant & Antifreeze	☐ Ensure proper coolant level. ☐ Use winter-grade fluid that resists freezing and corrosion. ☐ Re-check fluid levels periodically through the winter.	Prevents engine freeze-up and ensures efficient heat transfer.
	Brakes	☐ Check brake pads, rotors, drums, fluid level, air dryers and cartridges. ☐ Replace any worn components with quality Road Choice brake parts. ☐ Re-check brakes periodically through the winter.	Reliable braking is critical on icy, slick roads.
	Hoses & Belts	☐ Look for cracks, frays, and/or leaks. ☐ Replace any compromised parts.	Cold makes these rubber components more brittle.
	Wiper Blades	☐ Upgrade to winter-ready blades. ☐ Ensure they clear ice, slush, and snow properly.	Clear visibility is non-negotiable in winter conditions.
	Back of Cab	☐ Check coiled air cables for cracks to ensure proper function. ☐ Inspect coiled electrical cables for corrosion on connectors and replace non-functioning plugs. ☐ Ensure 3-in-1 airpower lines have secure fittings, proper suspension, grip condition, and protective spiral wrap integrity.	Checks ensure proper braking, visibility, and uptime.
	Impact Protection	☐ Install a moose guard.	Adds impact protection to headlights, grille, and engine area.
	Tires & Tire Pressure	☐ Install cold-weather or winter tires. ☐ Monitor tread depth and condition. ☐ Check frequently.	Improves grip and control on snow/ice. Cold air shrinks, lowering pressure. Underinflated tires reduce traction and increase wear.
	Lubrication	☐ Apply lubricant to hinges, latches, locks, and other exposed moving parts.	Prevents freezing or seizing of moving parts.
	Fuel Level	☐ Keep tank at least half full (or fuller, when possible).	Helps prevent fuel-line freeze or moisture condensation.
	Emergency Kit	☐ Stock blankets, flashlight, first-aid kit, nonperishable snacks, etc. ☐ Ensure EWT Kit is accessible and functional. ☐ Test flashlights periodically through the winter.	In case of breakdowns or delays, these essentials can save you.

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