

# DRIVING IN UTAH WINTER WEATHER



## GET UP TO SPEED BEFORE YOU HIT THE ROAD

Winter weather driving is challenging, especially in Utah's canyons. Check out these quick tips to make sure you're ready to roll.

# UTAH TRACTION LAWS

Winter weather conditions require the use of traction devices on vehicles. You'll be notified via road signs, message boards, the UDOT Traffic app and UDOT social media when traction devices are necessary.



All-season tires are not sufficient when traction restrictions are in place.



## Rental Vehicles

If you're renting a vehicle, verify with the rental company that your vehicle meets either the 2WD or 4WD/AWD criteria.



## 2WD Vehicles

Must have 3PMSF rated tires on all wheels or traction devices on both drive wheels.



## 4WD + AWD Vehicles

Must have 3PMSF or M+S rated tires on all wheels or traction devices on at least two drive wheels.

## Be Prepared

**Traction requirements may go into effect before storms**

Big Cottonwood Canyon (SR-190) and Little Cottonwood Canyon (SR-210) have stricter traction requirements than other roads.

**Vehicle tires must have a tread depth of at least 5/32 when traction requirements are in effect.**

# BE READY FOR ANYTHING

Keep these items in your vehicle for winter travel:



Full tank of fuel



Proper traction devices



Warm clothes



Extra food and water



Phone charger

## Follow these winter driving tips:

- ☒ Leave plenty of time to reach your destination safely.
- ☒ On snow and ice, go slowly, no matter what type of vehicle you drive.
- ☒ Leave extra room between you and the vehicle in front of you.
- ☒ Brake early, brake slowly, and never slam on the brakes.
- ☒ Maintain a safe distance behind snow plows and do not pass them.

# GET THE LATEST UPDATES

Check current traffic and weather conditions in Utah

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Visit the UDOT website for road, traffic and travel information.

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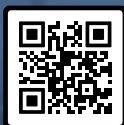
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