



Winter Driving Safety

Tailgate Meeting Guide

Winter tire information

Motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of workplace deaths in British Columbia. Whether you drive for work full time or part time, your vehicle is your 'workplace on wheels'. Winterize it to maximize your safety.

Why winter tires?

An investment in appropriate tires represents an investment in safety — your personal safety, the safety of your family and friends, and the safety of others sharing the road.



The tire industry indicates winter tires with the 3-peaked mountain/snowflake symbol outperform mud and snow (M+S tires) at temperatures of 7 degrees Celsius or lower.

The natural rubber compound in these tires helps them to stay soft and flexible in colder temperatures. Check the wear of your winter tires before installing and monitor tire pressure often as it can drop in cold weather.

The different types of winter tires

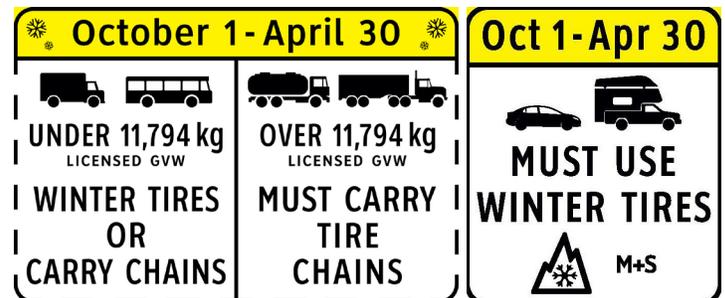
Tires with a 3-peaked mountain/snowflake symbol offer the best traction on snow, ice, and in cold weather. They provide good winter driving performance, especially in harsh winter conditions.

All-season tires with the M+S symbol offer better traction than summer tires and meet the minimum legal requirement for a winter tire. But, in severe winter conditions, they are less effective than the 3-peaked mountain/snowflake tires.

In all cases, a winter tire must be in good condition, with a minimum tread of 3.5 mm (5/32”).

Obey the signs

Winter tires or chains are required on most routes in British Columbia from October 1 to March 31. For select highways, including mountain passes and rural routes in high snowfall areas, the date will be extended until April 30 to account for early-spring snowfall. Visit DriveBC.ca for information on winter tire requirements for various highways. You'll also find chain-up instructions.



Know before you go.

Before heading out:

- Visit DriveBC.ca for current road conditions.
- Visit ShiftIntoWinter.ca for tips on ways to prepare yourself, your vehicle, and how to drive safely on winter roads.



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Employer: _____ Supervisor: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ Shift: _____

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Other safety issues or suggestions made by attendees:

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