

Don't Take Shortcuts

When snow is piled high on street curbs, it can be challenging to park your vehicle and then walk safely to your destination. If it's especially cold out, you may be tempted to climb over snowpiles to reach your destination faster or walk in the street until you find a clear walkway.

Either choice brings the chance for serious injury:

- Creating your own pathway to/from your vehicle into/out of buildings may save you a few seconds. But you could be risking a lot more if you slip and fall on an untreated surface.
- Walking in the street may also be an unsafe choice, especially if it's dark out. If other drivers can't see you, you risk the chance of being hit and losing your life.

When wintry precipitation is present, follow these tips:

- Do what you can to stay in cleared and treated paths.
- Wear boots.
- If walking in the street or roadway cannot be avoided, do so carefully. Keep constant watch for oncoming cars.
- Plan ahead, and wear light-colored clothing or, if possible, reflective clothing or vest.
- Keep hats and scarves away from your eyes so that you can see.



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