# Trapped in a Car During a Snowstorm?

- Stay inside the car to avoid hypothermia and frostbite.
- Run the engine for about 10 minutes per hour for heat. Doing so, make sure to clear snow from the exhaust pipe to avoid gas poisoning.
- Wrap your body with extra clothing, blanket, or thermal blanket if you have one
- Prepare to signal the rescuer.
  - Turn on the dome light at night when running the engine.
  - Tie a bright colored cloth, to your antenna.
  - Raise the hood of your car if it's not snowing.





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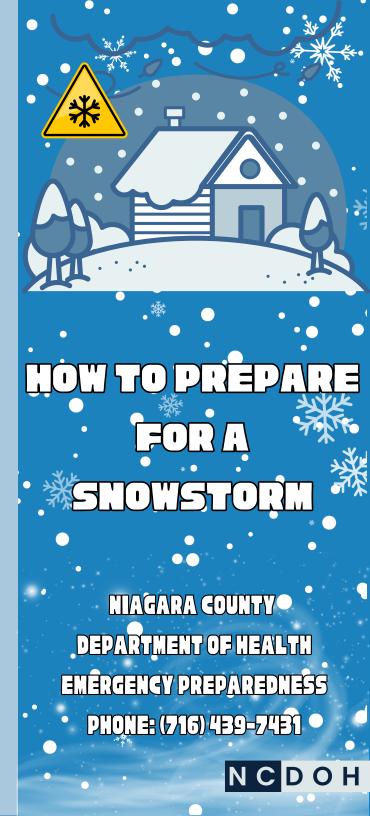


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## Stay Safe Indoors ~Sheltering-InPlace~



- > Make sure to have an emergency kit ready.

  (\*See the separate handout)
- Listen to media for current emergency information and instructions.
  - > Bring any pets indoors. 💺



- Avoid going outside and traveling in vehicles.
- > Avoid drinking alcoholic or caffeinated beverages.





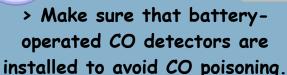
#### How to Stay Warm

- > Close off unneeded rooms.
- > Do NOT use a gas stove or oven to heat your home.



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- Stay cautious for fire hazard and ventilation when using fireplace or a space heater
- > Prepare enough warm clothing and blankets.



#### If the Power Goes Out...



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> Use battery-powered flashlights or lanterns if possible. Candles can be fire hazards.



- > Turn off or disconnect appliances and electronics.
  - > ONLY use the generator outdoors and away from windows.
- > Monitor medication that requires refrigeration.



### Stay Safe On The Road



- Slow down and increase the distance between you and the other cars.
- ✓ Keep an <u>emergency kit</u> and other essential items in your car. 

  (Snow shovel, jumper cable, blankets...etc)
- Keep your family/friends updated of your travel route in case of emergency.
- Make sure you sight is clear, your car is completely clear of ice or snow. Pull over to the side if necessary.