

D'Iberville Fire Department

Safety Tips

Subject: Winter Travel

Holiday traveling can be fun but also dangerous. A large number of people prefer to travel by car instead of flying or by train. Here are some tips to help you travel safely during the holiday season.

- Traveling during the winter months can be challenging for a lot of drivers especially in the Northern States. Allow for extra time, monitor weather conditions and adhere to travel advisories.
- If you may be traveling in harsh winter conditions or secluded areas it would be a good idea to include a winter storm survival kit when packing your car. The kit should include items such as blankets, food, flares, chains, gloves and first aid supplies.
- Prior to leaving home make sure you make arrangements to keep your home safe. Check your home and make sure that nothing is left on that could cause a fire, and make sure that you leave no candles burning. Make arrangements for pets. Have a neighbor that you trust help keep an eye on your home while you are away. You can also advise your local law enforcement agency that you will not be home and they will keep a check on your home while you are away. Leave an emergency contact number that you may be reached at with your neighbor or the police in the event that you need to be contacted. Have the Post Office hold your mail and hold off on having your paper delivered during your time away from home. These are just a few things to help make your holiday time more enjoyable.

From everyone at the D'Iberville Fire Department we wish you a safe and happy holiday season.

