

It's Time to Prepare for Winter Weather

Every year, Illinois averages at least five major winter storms that impact millions of people. The best time to prepare for winter's snow, cold and ice is before such weather hits.

The Schiller Park Fire Department Division of Emergency Management asks that all our residents and their families prepare for the upcoming winter weather

Being prepared for winter doesn't have to cost a lot of money or take a lot of time. It could be as simple as making sure your vehicle is in good winter driving condition, adding a winter survival kit to your car, changing your furnace filter and stocking or updating a home emergency supply kit.

Preparing for winter also means adjusting your driving habits. Snowy or ice-coated roads and reduced visibility due to fog or blowing snow result in thousands of motor vehicle crashes in Illinois every year. Many of these can be avoided by simply slowing down on city streets, rural roads and highways. Recent traffic studies have shown that many times, minor accumulations of snow or ice on roads can be just as dangerous for motorists as major snowstorms.

Below you will find a link for the Winter Weather Guidebook developed by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) and the National Weather Service (NWS), to help you and your family prepare for and stay safe during winter weather.

Use this Winter Weather Preparedness Guide, which includes information about winter travel safety guidelines, winter weather terminology and tips on how to prepare your home and vehicle for winter storms.

The village of Schiller Park asks you all to take time now to prepare your family, home, vehicles and driving habits for everything from a dusting of snow to a major winter storm!

https://www.illinois.gov/iema/Preparedness/Documents/winter_storm_preparedness_guidebook.pdf