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### LEGALS

#### ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

relating to Exploration and Production of Critical Minerals in Coal-Bearing Formations.

**North Dakota Geological Survey** will hold public hearings to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.

**Geological Survey**  
1:30 pm CST  
**Tues., Jan. 20, 2026**  
**1000 E Calgary Ave**  
**Bismarck, ND**

Copies of the proposed rules will be available December 17, 2025 and may be obtained by writing the Geological Survey at 600 E. Blvd., Dept. 474, Bismarck, ND 58505-0614, or by calling (701) 328-8000. View changes at [www.dmr.nd.gov/dmr/ndgs](http://www.dmr.nd.gov/dmr/ndgs) Comment in writing by 5pm January 30, 2026. Submit written comments to the Geological Survey (see address above) or [ndgs@nd.gov](mailto:ndgs@nd.gov). If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Geological Survey at the above address or phone number by January 12, 2026.

## Winter driving tips to stay safe on the roads

Winter has fully arrived, bringing longer nights, colder days and the threat of snow and ice on the roads. For those driving in North Dakota, these tougher conditions require more caution and preparation. Drivers also face a range of winter-related fines, with extra rules designed to keep roads safe during severe weather.

The global car rental comparison site DiscoverCars.com has put together these tips on how to drive safely as the weather changes, to make the experience less stressful.

**Watch out for winter fines.** In the U.S., you could be fined starting from \$25 for having a vehicle covered in snow, or up to \$1,500 if snow or ice from your car causes damage to someone's property, or if it injures or kills someone. These fines vary by state. For example, in New Jersey, fines for having a snow-covered vehicle are between \$25-75, and if that snow causes damage

to property or injures or kills someone, it can be \$200-\$1,000.

It's common to leave your engine idling to warm up the car in winter, but laws vary across the U.S. regarding how long it's acceptable to do this for. States and even cities have their own rules, with fines varying. In many states, the limit is 5 minutes. While in Connecticut the usual limit year round is 3 minutes, drivers can leave their engine running longer than this if it's below 20°F or if the cold is putting their health and safety at risk.

**Check your route ahead of time.** Before setting off this winter, it's important to check the weather conditions on your route. You don't want to get caught in heavy snow or a storm that can disrupt your journey. Make sure you stay up to date on the latest weather conditions and travel disruptions in your area and where you'll be heading.

**Prepare an emer-**

**gency kit.** It's a good idea to put together a breakdown kit of everything you may need should you break down in the winter months. This should include a first aid kit with bandages, band-aids, antiseptic wipes and dressings for wounds and burns to treat any minor injuries. It's also worth keeping an ice scraper and jumper cables in your trunk.

**Slow down.** One of the most important things to remember when driving in snow or ice is to reduce your speed. Maintain a sturdy grip on your steering wheel and move forward at a slow and steady pace, changing to a higher gear for more control if you drive a manual car. Remember to maintain a safe stopping distance from the car in front of you, too.

**Navigate bends carefully.** When approaching a bend, it's best to brake before you start turning your wheel. If your car loses grip when doing this,

firstly, don't panic. Keep your hands on the steering wheel and take your foot off the accelerator. Turn your wheels in the direction you want to go without taking your hands off the wheel. If you do skid, steer into it gently by moving in the same direction, so if your car slides left, steer that way too. Do this without braking hard and always keep your hands on the steering wheel.

**Check your tires.** Before you head out, remember to check the tread of your tires. If your tires are worn, this can stop your car from being able to grip the road properly and puts you at risk of aquaplaning. In most U.S. states, the minimum legal tread requirement for steer tires is 2/32 of an inch – regulations vary across different states, so if you're planning a road trip, make sure your vehicle is compliant.

This November, the state of Utah has strengthened its

winter driving rules, with drivers on the canyon roads required to pass tire inspections if a storm is forecast within the next 24 hours. Tires must be 5/32 of an inch.

**Aleksandrs Buraks, Head of Growth at DiscoverCars.com, comments:**

*"Driving in the winter months can sometimes be stressful, especially for new drivers or when you're driving somewhere abroad. Remember to prep your car before setting off, ensuring your windshield is free of frost and your tires are in good condition."*

*"If you're planning on renting a car for your winter vacation this year, it's important to check the requirements for the state or country you'll be driving in. Some states and countries may require you to have winter tires and snow chains for maximum safety."*

