



What To Do If You're Stuck In A Blizzard

1. Try not to panic. You'll need a clear head to work yourself through this situation. Maintain your composure, and calm down your passengers as needed.
2. Stay with your vehicle. It's a lot easier to spot from a distance. Leaving your vehicle, and the comfort and protection it offers, can be dangerous. You may think you'll be able to get help. Odds are you'll become disoriented and freeze to death.
3. Attach a flag or colored piece of clothing to the antenna. This helps rescuers and lessens the possibility of being hit by another driver.
4. Run the engine only 10 – 15 minutes each hour. Sure, you want to stay warm, but you need to conserve your gas. Also, the less often you run your engine, the less chance for lethal levels of carbon monoxide to build up.
5. Crack a window on the downwind side (leeward side) of the car. That air will be chilly, but it'll also be clean.
6. Clear the exhaust pipe periodically.
7. If you decide to dig yourself out, start on the leeward side of the car. Don't exert yourself, because you need to minimize sweating. Getting damp and cold can be deadly. Brush off the snow before reentering your vehicle.
8. As a last resort, burn your spare tire. The smoke (or fire) will be visible for miles.