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Winter is coming – get your car ready!

CAA Manitoba offers tips for motorists to get ready for colder temperatures

Winnipeg, MB – Jack frost has starting nipping at our noses, and CAA Manitoba is reminding motorists to get their cars ready for the upcoming winter season.

On top of offering tips for motorists about winter tires and car maintenance, CAA Manitoba will also be offering free battery tests for both Members and non-Members on Saturday, November 1 from 10-2 at branches in Winnipeg.

Tips for getting your vehicle ready for winter

Winter tires

- Put them on, now. Don't wait until the snow flies. Winter tires actually start to show their superiority around 7 degrees Celsius.
- If you don't have them, get them. MPI now offers low-interest loans to help Manitobans afford this invaluable piece of safety equipment.

Get a check-up

- Belts, hoses and fluids. Head to a [CAA approved garage](#) and ensure your belts and hoses are working properly and your antifreeze is the correct mixture.
- Check your oil. Ensure your oil is at an acceptable level. Consider using an oil with a lower viscosity in bitterly cold temperatures, like synthetic varieties.

Pack your car

- Prepare for emergencies. Have an emergency kit ready in your car (these are available at any [CAA branch](#))
- Get ready for snow. Put a snow brush and ice scraper in your car

"It is important to prepare your car for the upcoming season," says Public and Government Affairs Specialist, Angele Young. "This will lessen the likelihood of having troubles in the dead of winter."

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