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Winter Car Care!



The holidays are over. A New Year is underway. But it's still Winter. It's still cold. And your car still needs care and attention.

Simple car care tips.

Lights - head, tail, break, running, fog, all of them. Make sure all your car's lights are working correctly. This time of year, dim or burnt out lights can be deadly. Check the headlight coverings. If your headlights are yellowed or 'foggy' looking, you might want to replace them.

Battery. Winter is tough on car batteries. You can have your battery tested to make sure it's good.

Coolant or Antifreeze. This magic liquid is important. In the Summer, it keeps your car from running too hot. In



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Gas. Keep gas in your tank in the Winter. Having plenty of gas will help any water from freezing inside your fuel pump.

Tires. Make sure you have good tires on your car. This can apply to any season, but especially in the Winter. If you get caught driving in ice or snow, you'll need the traction and control. Check the spare.

Tire Pressure. Cold weather will cause your tires to loose a little pressure. Low pressure can cause damage to the tires and make it harder to handle the car in an accident.

Interior Climate Control. Before you really need them, make sure the heat and defrosters are working correctly. You want to be warm in your car. And you need to be able to see all around you.

Wiper Blades. This is a great time to begin a habit of getting new wiper blades before Winter. Remember to check the washer fluid as well. There should be enough in the reservoir to keep it from freezing.

Oil and points check. Have your car serviced - change the oil, check all the fluids and hoses and belts. Make sure nothing is obvious; cracks, leaks, weak spots, etc.

Survival Kit. More of a tip for you, the person in the car, this is an important reminder. Create or buy a survival kit to keep in your car - just in case. Depending on your environment, add things that might help if you get stuck out somewhere. Flashlight and batteries, blankets, water, snacks, jumper cables, cellphone charger, de-icing spray, first-aid kit, flares, etc.

Information sources: autotrader.com, consumerreports.org

Rappaport of New York created Ice Cream for Breakfast Day as a way to chase away cabin fever for her six children due to a winter storm that had blown through the area. The annual celebration caught on as her children grew and shared it on their travels. Today, the day has been observed in Canada, New Zealand, England, South Africa, Israel and more.

America's Top 10 Favorite Ice Cream Flavors.

While vanilla has reigned supreme as the world's favorite ice cream flavor for many years, a new report from the International Dairy Foods Association (IDFA) shows that it may be at risk for holding that position for much longer.

Vanilla
Chocolate
Cookies N'Cream
Mint Chocolate Chip
Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough
Buttered Pecan
Cookie Dough
Strawberry
Moose Tracks
Neapolitan

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