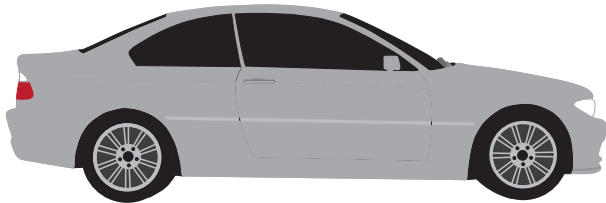


If You Are in Your Vehicle

- If you are driving and are advised to shelter-in-place, pull over in a warm, safe area and turn off your engine. Close the vents and windows.
- If you are near home or a safe building, get there as soon as possible and go inside. Stay there until authorities say conditions are safe to leave.
- Listen to the radio regularly for updated instructions and advice.
- Stay where you are until told by authorities that it is safe to leave. Also, be aware of closed roads and detoured traffic.



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Winter Storm
Shelter-In-Place

To shelter-in-place means to locate a small, interior room with little or no windows, and take shelter there. During a winter storm, you may be advised to do this in order to protect yourself and your family. Instructions to shelter-in-place usually last for a few hours, not days or weeks.

Prepare

- Watch the weather or listen to NOAA Weather Radio for any winter storms in the forecast. Be prepared to shelter-in-place if advised to do so.
- Make a grocery list. Buy foods that are easy to fix and will not spoil.
- Assemble your emergency supply kit. Include at least one gallon of drinking water per person, imperishable foods, warm clothes, blankets, extra batteries and flashlights, also have a battery-operated radio, and a first aid kit. You might also consider adding some hand pocket warmers and heat packs.
- Keep a charged cell phone at hand with a list of emergency contacts.
- If you own pets, make sure you have a plan for them also. They will need food and treats, leashes and collars, and some sort of carrier to put them in, with warm blankets.
- Establish a plan with your household and have frequent drills. Also, familiarize yourself with your school/work's disaster plans.

When and How to Shelter-In-Place

- Your local authorities will inform you when you should shelter-in-place. Follow their instructions and act quickly.
- Make sure everyone in your household knows where to go.
- Bring all pets and household members inside and lock all doors and windows.
- Take shelter in your designated area of your home, school, or workplace.

During the Storm

- Be sure to drink sufficient fluids and eat regularly to maintain energy. Avoid alcohol and caffeine.
- Stay tuned to your local weather station for updates on the storm.
- Stay warm by wearing multiple layers, and covering yourself with warm blankets.



Following the Storm

- Wait for the authorities to tell you conditions are safe before leaving your shelter.
- Avoid driving until conditions improve.
- Check on your neighbors.

