

WINTER SAFETY TIPS

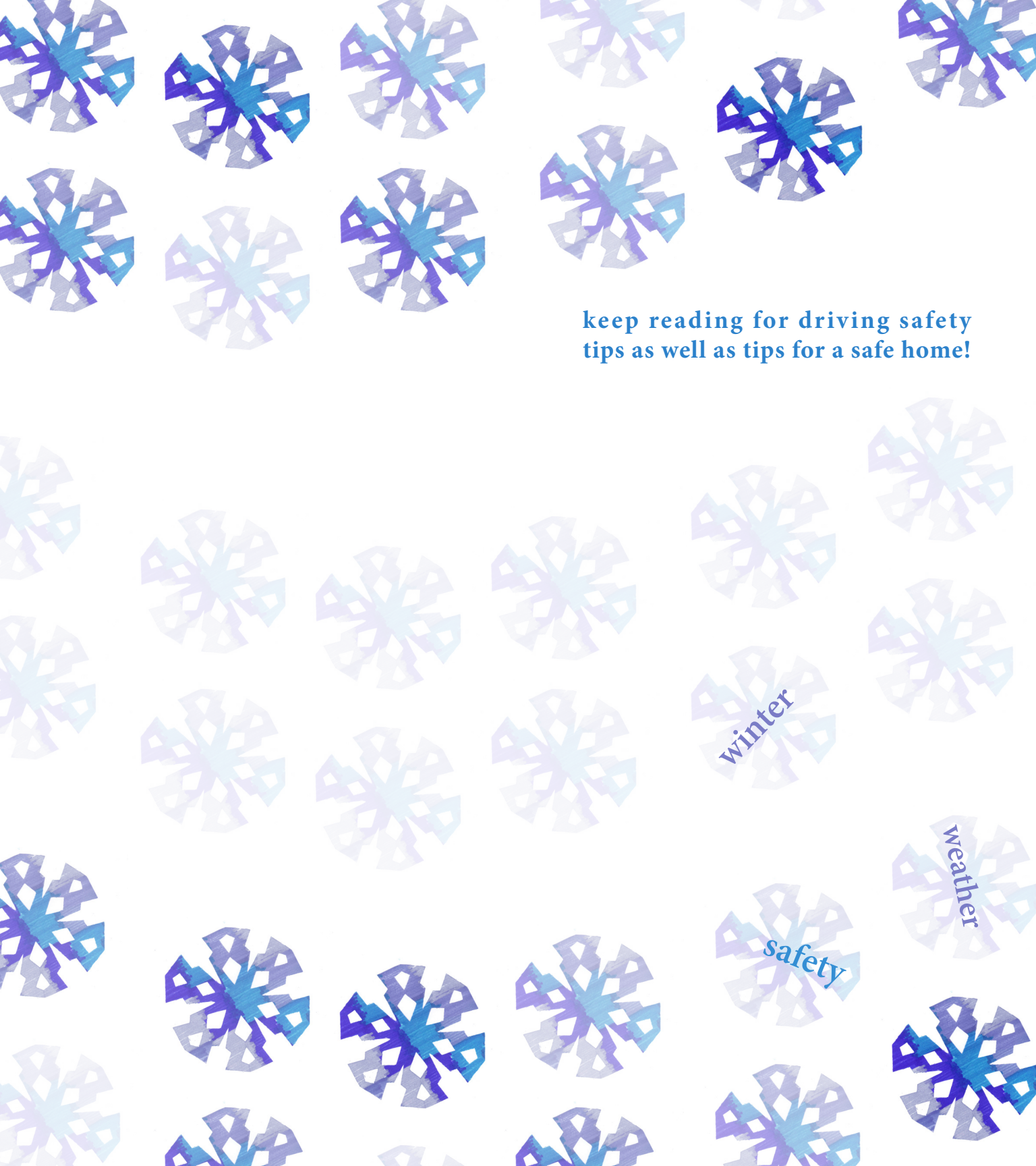
ice and snow take it slow

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keep reading for driving safety
tips as well as tips for a safe home!

winter

weather

safety

s a f e t y

keep the gas tank full

inspect your vehicle's antifreeze, battery, brakes & brake fluid, defroster, heater, lights, motor oil, seatbelts, tire pressure, windshield wiper fluid, & wiper blades

check the weather forecast



store items that you will need in an emergency:



food, water, gloves, boots, flashlight, batteries, blanket, medication, road flares, first-aid kit

s l o w = s a f e

if your vehicle skids

push down hard on the brakes. If you do not have anti-lock brakes gently pump the pedal.

watch for black-ice

which forms on bridges, off-ramps, and shady areas before it does elsewhere.

slow down on curves

A photograph of a road with a patch of black ice on a curve. The road is dark asphalt with visible tire tracks. The black ice is a lighter, textured area on the curve. The text "slow down on curves" is written in a white, italicized font across the top of the ice patch.

slow down ahead of time for intersections

s n w ^{plow} s a f e t y

stay outta their way and
you'll have a safe day!



It's hard for snow plows to
see other vehicles



snow plows, like trucks,
make wide




you could possibly get hit
with snow and ice debris

s t r a n d e d b u t s a f e

signal to other motorists that you are stranded. use flares, a flashlight or tie a bright cloth to your antenna. clear snow from in front of the tailpipe to prevent carbon monoxide build-up.

turn your wheels from side to side to push snow out of the way!



store a window scraper/brush, jumper cables, emergency cash, a small shovel, & a bag of sand or cat litter for tire traction

h m e s a f e t y

IF YOUR HEAT
GOES OUT, RUN
WATER AT A
TRICKLE TO
PREVENT PIPES
FROM FREEZING
& BURSTING

STORE:
flashlight &
portable radio
with batteries,
canned food &
a manual opener,
water & lots of
blankets

PERISHIBLE
FOOD CAN
BE STORED
OUTSIDE IN
THE SNOW
OR IN AN
UNHEATED
GARAGE



clean = safe



**clean hallways & doorways
so exits are easily accessible**



**have your heater/furnace/
chimney checked & cleaned**



**remember to open the
chimney flue before starting
a fire in your fireplace**



**place space heaters at least 3
feet from flammable objects**



**update batteries in smoke
alarms & carbon monoxide
detectors**

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