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How to Get Around in Winter

Walking

If you're traveling by foot in the winter, the sidewalks can be icy and covered in snow. People use 'trekking poles' and 'shoe grips' to help with balance, stability and traction. Trekking poles are used like two walking canes and allow your upper body to help you balance. Shoe grips are added to the bottom of your footwear to give you grip on ice. Visit saskatoon.ca/pedestriansafety for more information on pedestrian safety.



Cycling

If you want to be a winter cyclist, check out the winter cycling tips on the City of Saskatoon's website at saskatoon.ca/wintercyclingtips. There is a section on cycling safety at saskatoon.ca/cyclingsafety, which includes cycling routes, a video on how to use the bike racks on Saskatoon transit buses, and much more.



Public Transit

Prefer to use public transit? Visit the Saskatoon Transit website at transit.saskatoon.ca for the most up-to-date information on services, including on-demand transit transit.saskatoon.ca/plan-my-trip/demand-transit and the mobile app, Transit transit.saskatoon.ca/plan-my-trip/mobileapps. You will also find the winter weather guide transit.saskatoon.ca/rider-guide/winter-weather-guide, which includes information on the SafeBus program transit.saskatoon.ca/rider-guide/safety-security/safe-bus. If you are lost, cold, scared, or hurt, hold up your hand (palm out) in the direction of an approaching Transit bus, or go to a parked bus and the operator will stop, contact emergency services and provide shelter to the next terminal.



Driving

Check local driving reports and weather advisories before heading out in your vehicle. Driving during winter is a whole different experience; there may be snow drifts, icy conditions or snow crews cleaning the streets. You may even want to consider purchasing snow tires for your vehicle. The City of Saskatoon's Winter Driving webpage at saskatoon.ca/winterdriving includes helpful information, including a link to the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety website ccohs.ca/oshanswers/safety_haz/icesnow.html where you will find information on emergency care kits, driving tips and safety information.

