

November is Winter Weather Preparedness Month

According to the National Weather Service (NWS), Illinois hasn't had a winter without at least one winter storm in the past century. To help people prepare for potentially dangerous snow, cold and ice this winter, IEMA, the NWS and local emergency management agencies will highlight winter weather preparedness throughout November.

Each year, IEMA and the NWS publish a winter weather preparedness guide to help people understand winter weather risks, along with tips for staying safe at home, in the car and at school. It also includes lists of suggested items for home and vehicle emergency supply kits.

The guide is available on the Ready Illinois website at www.Ready.Illinois.gov.

Take time now to prepare your family, home and vehicle for winter.



Winter Storm Survival Kit for Travelers



- Cell phone and charger
- Blankets/sleeping bags
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Knife
- High calorie non-perishable food
- Water
- Extra clothing to keep dry
- Sack of sand or cat litter
- Shovel
- Windshield scraper and brush
- Tool kit
- Booster cables
- Compass and road maps
- Tow rope with loops (avoid chains and hooks if at all possible)