

WORKSAFELY MHCA SAFETY TALK

Black ice awareness

Black ice is transparent, matching the color of the road, so it's difficult to detect and harder to react to when driving.

What's the danger?

- Less reaction time to control skids
- Forms when the sun's not out and warming the road
- Forms easily on bridges
- Reduced daylight hours make it difficult to detect black ice
- Freezing rain and wind form black ice on roadways

Protect yourself

- Take your time and drive with caution in conditions where black ice forms
- Reduce your speed significantly and be aware of oncoming traffic
- Avoid using cruise control
- Plan your route ahead of time
- Check the road conditions before leaving
- Avoid travel when weather warnings are issued
- Travel during daylight hours when possible
- At a slow speed, test road conditions by gently applying breaks
- Use winter tires if available

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