

Oregon Military Department Fall Weather Announcement

Autumn begins the start of the winter weather, and the Oregon Military Department wants to remind everyone to be prepared and stay safe. As the leaves change color, so do the weather patterns which include more rain, less sun, and inclement weather to be more aware of. Unsafe weather for this time of year includes unsafe road conditions when traveling, commuting, or working outdoors. Bundle up, stay warm, and prepare ahead of time.

HAZARDS & PREPAREDNESS

Oregon Office of Emergency Management offers us insight on how to prepare for hazards with articles and helpful resources on their webpage [here](#).

You can prepare for times when emergencies happen and inclement weather happens by being informed about the risks, building an emergency kit, making an emergency plan ahead of time, and being two weeks ready!

It is better to be prepared for what *may* happen than to be unprepared when things do happen.



Rain and Wet Conditions

Check the weather conditions before you leave, turn on your lights, and slow down in rainy weather. Always drive a car in good condition to ensure the window

visibility is at its best, so your sight is not impaired. Hazards and risks can be elevated whenever it starts to rain. Keep air moving in your vehicle so your windows do not fog and have a dry cloth with you in case they do.

Map out your drive and know where you are headed before you leave. Remember, it can rain, and the road may look totally dry, but it may not be. Take a moment to evaluate road conditions and always keep a safe distance between you and the car in front of you. Take every precaution to ensure safety precautions are taken so you stay safe.

Reminder:

If there are hazardous conditions or inclement weather that interferes with normal agency operations, refer to your supervisor for direction.

Additional Information:

[DAS Policy 60.015.01](#)

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