



# SAFETY TALK

## Black ice awareness

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

### What's the danger?

- Less reaction time to control skids
- Forms when the sun isn't shining and warming the road
- Forms easily on bridges
- Reduced daylight hours in winter 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
- Reduce your speed significantly and be aware of oncoming traffic
- Avoid using cruise control
- Plan your route ahead of time
- Check the road conditions prior to leaving
- Avoid travel when weather warnings are issued
- Travel during daylight when possible
- At a slow speed, test road conditions by gently applying brakes
- Use winter tires if available

Print and review this talk with your staff, sign off and file for COR™ / SECOR audit purposes.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Performed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

**Concerns:**

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**Corrective Actions:**

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**Employee Name:**

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**Employee Signature:**

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