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Winter Tire Safety

Why do I need winter tires?

Winter driving means winter tires, with our Canadian temperatures all-season tires don't quite cut it.

- With winter tires, you are assured of maximum traction, enhanced braking performance, grip and control, and they help with unexpected stops.
- They are designed specifically to help in delivering safety and control in ice, snow, slush, rain, and cold weather.

How to tell the difference?

How can I tell the difference between winter and other tires?

Tires that meet the required snow standards always have the symbol of a snowflake on their sidewall. This will distinguish winter tires from all-season, mud and snow rated tires.



Photo of snowflake symbol on winter tires

Reminders



- Always install winter tires in a matching-set of four, this will help to maintain controlled and balanced handling. If you only use two, it will create a mismatch in the traction and could have negative consequences.
- Ensure tire pressure is correct for your vehicle and monitor it consistently during the colder season.
- Always keep the valve-caps on, if they are left off there can be a moisture-freeze inside the valve and the air will escape.
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Please **Take the Pledge** to do all that you can do to keep our highways safer for you and all that travel on them.

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