

Driving a buggy safely in winter:

- Harsh weather and fewer daylight hours can make winter roadway travel challenging and dangerous
- Be aware that bad weather conditions can increase motor vehicle stopping distance by as much as ten times as compared to dry road conditions.
- Drive carefully near working snowplows and be alert.

Road closures:

- Remember the road is closed for your safety, always obey emergency closure signs and follow the directions of police officers.

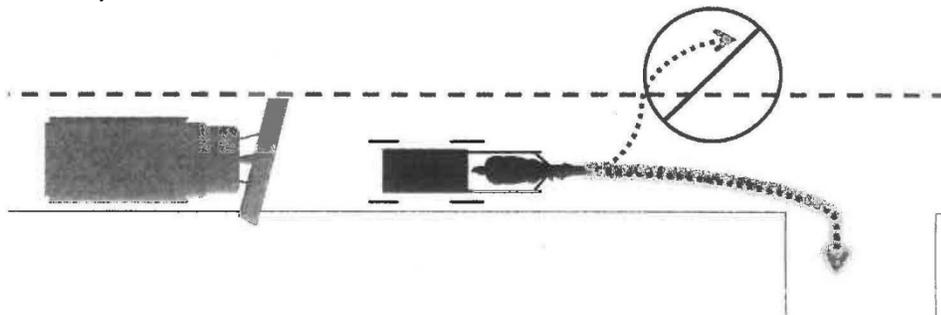
Increase visibility:

- Effectively lighting and marking your horse-drawn vehicle allows motorists to see it quickly in daylight, low light, rain or snow.
- Make sure your buggy can be seen at all times of day and in any type of weather.
- Use an experienced horse:
- While your horse may be familiar encountering regular road traffic during other times of the year, the loud sounds and flashing lights of a snowplow may frighten a relatively inexperienced animal.
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Members of the Plain Community
Ministry of Transportation (MTO)
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Local Health Units
Ontario Provincial Police

Sharing the roadway with snowplows:

Be seen, be safe...



Safe travel:

- Regardless of the direction the snowplow is approaching, always pull over as far to the right as the road allows.
- It is important to know that snowplows are not permitted to pass an automobile or horse-drawn vehicle if it is traveling in the same direction as the plow.

- It's a good idea to pull into a cleared laneway entrance if it is safe to do so and wait for the snowplow to go past before continuing on your way.
- Horse-drawn vehicle drivers should not stop on the road, and should never cross to the opposite side of the road to avoid the plow.

"Remember: a horse is not a perfectly predictable machine."