

# Occupational Health and Safety Links and QR Codes: Winter Hazards

The Niagara Regional Labour Management Health & Safety Committee developed the following information to provide information on Occupational Health and Safety. It is important to note that this document is for information purposes only and does not constitute or intend to constitute, legal advice or service.

## Winter Hazards Overview:

Winter introduces unique challenges to construction sites and roads, including snow and ice accumulation, cold temperatures, and reduced visibility. On construction sites, these hazards can lead to slips, trips, falls, frostbite, and hypothermia. On the road, winter conditions can cause vehicle accidents due to slippery surfaces, black ice, and poor visibility.

**Online Resources** - The IHSA offers a variety of online resources to help you and your jobsites deal with winter hazards:



## Frostbite Prevention

Educating workers on recognizing frostbite signs and using proper PPE to prevent exposure. Scan the QR code for a safety talk on frostbite prevention.



## Winter Driving

Ensuring vehicles are prepared for winter with proper maintenance, defensive driving techniques, and secure loads. Check the QR code for vehicle safety guidelines.



## Housekeeping & Off-Ground Storage

Maintaining a safe work environment by clearing snow and ice on pathways and installing guardrails on stairs to prevent slips and falls. Storing tools and materials off the ground and protecting them with tarps to prevent damage.

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