

WINTER WEATHER IS HERE



Here are some tips to prep your business:

- Have your heating systems inspected by a qualified individual for safety and functionality
- Ensure all pipes are properly insulated to prevent freezing bursting and water damage
- Check your surroundings for potential falling trees, limbs, or branches that can fall under the weights of ice and snow
- Clear your gutters, scuppers, and downspouts to prevent clogging and allow melting ice and snow to fall freely
- Invest in a generator which can prevent excess losses during power outages
- Check windows, doors, and roof materials to ensure they are properly secured

While the dangers from winter weather varies from business to business and state to state, nearly all businesses, regardless of where they are located, are likely to face some type of severe winter weather at some point. Winter storms can range from rapid changes in temperature or moderate snow to a blizzard with blinding, wind-driven snow that lasts for several days. Many winter storms are accompanied by dangerously low temperatures and sometimes by strong winds, icing, sleet and freezing rain.

While it is important to prepare NOW for the specific dangers the winter months pose to your business, we advise all business owners to take necessary precautions when an impending storm is expected.

Know The Warning:

Winter Storm Outlook - Winter storm conditions are possible in the next 2 to 5 days.

Winter Weather Advisory - Winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous. When caution is used, these situations should not be life threatening.

Winter Storm Watch - Winter storm conditions are possible within the next 36 to 48 hours. People in a watch area should review their winter storm plans and stay informed about weather conditions.

Winter Storm Warning - Life-threatening, severe winter conditions have begun or will begin within 24 hours. People in a warning area should take precautions immediately.



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