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### Are We Ready...

- It is cold
- It is slippery
- It is dark
- Fatigued
- The salt and cinders are clogged
- The lights are dim
- Working Alone

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## Emergency Conditions

A declared  
“State of Emergency”  
does not relieve  
YOU of your Safety  
Responsibilities



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## Slip/Fall Hazard Statistics #1 type of injury during SRIC

- Parking lot, outside stairs, and ramp areas account for the highest number of accidents with 60%.
- Second are sidewalk areas with 21%.
- Third are entrance areas with about 6%.
- Lastly, are actual job sites at about 2% but have the most severe injuries.



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## Know your Route!!!

- Mark obstacles or make a mental note of:
  - Bridges
  - Utility plates
  - Mailboxes
  - Railroad Crossings
  - Overhead Wires/Guy wires
  - Poles
  - Fire Hydrants
  - Drainage Facilities
  - Guardrails



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## Authorized Emergency Vehicle 17C-1-6

- Means vehicles of a fire dept., rescue squad, police, ambulance, state, county or municipal agency, .....snow removal equipment, etc. are designated by the agency responsible for the operation and control of these persons or organizations.



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## DOH Snow Plowing Operations

### Pre-trip Inspections

- Inspect and complete an OE-28 before using the unit.
- Check truck, plow and spreader
- Fill out the "Repair Request" form for any deficiencies.

**YOU MAY NOT OPERATE AN UNSAFE VEHICLE!!**



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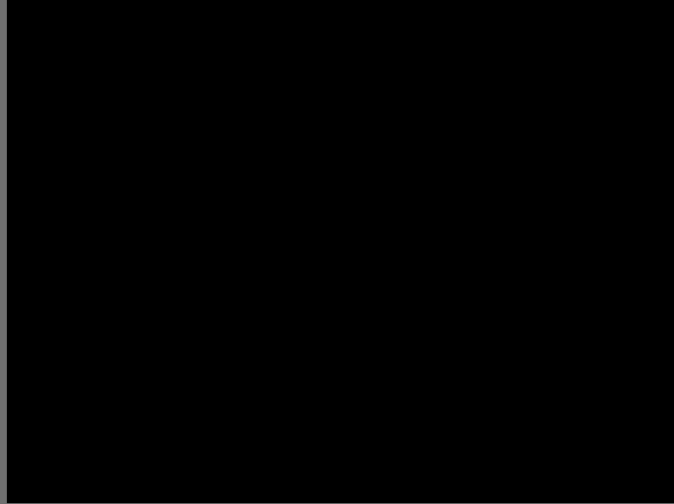
### Pre-Trip Inspections

- Lights
- Tires
- Brakes
- Windshield wipers
- Defroster
- Plow Bolts
- Chains
- Spreader and Auger
- Other Safety Equipment



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**Know your equipment...  
Take 1**



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**Know your equipment...  
Take 2**



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## DOH Equipment Requirements Cont'd...

- Proper Signage on Vehicles
  - Slow moving vehicle symbol (triangle)
  - “Stay Back 100’ sign on the back
  - Must be in good condition, reflective, and clean. Remove snow and/or dirt.



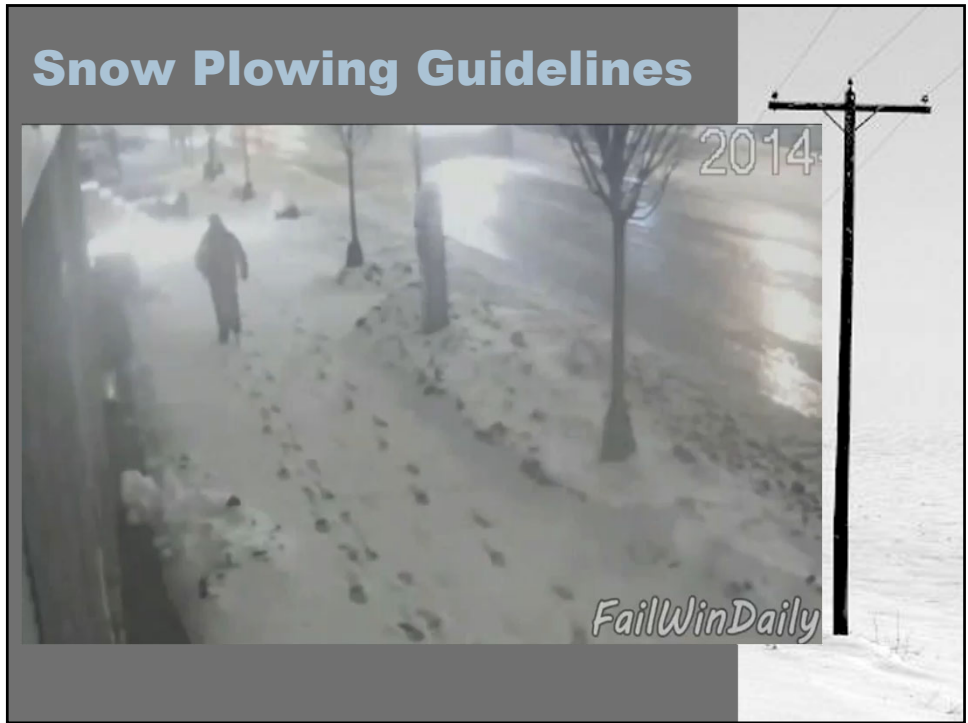
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## Vehicle Speed

- Never drive faster than road conditions permit, or faster than the posted speed limit. Under no circumstances is a SRIC unit to exceed 30 miles per hour while performing SRIC duties.
  - Prevent blizzard like conditions



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## Other Safety Requirements

- Watch for snow covered obstacles
  - Children playing in snow banks
- Do not cross Centerline
- Bridges
  - Watch for Ice
  - Watch expansion joints
  - Do not form wall or ramp along bridge railing
- Be considerate of motorists having trouble driving in the snow



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## Other Safety Requirements

- Drive Defensively
  - Wear Seat Belt
- Keep windows, mirrors and lights clean.
- Wear all required PPE (class II vest)
- Beware of traffic behind you.
- Observe all traffic laws and signal your intentions clearly
- Keep your temper and patience when vehicles pass or tailgate



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## SRIC and COVID-19

How to stay safe, while keeping others safe?



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## SRIC and COVID-19

- Stay healthy
- Get plenty of rest when you're not fighting snow
- Avoid crowds, wear a mask when you can't
- Don't come to work sick. Report any fever, unusual cough, etc.



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## SRIC and COVID-19

- Wear a mask when distancing can't be maintained, especially in equipment with other
- Always have disinfecting wipes and hand sanitizer available
- Wipe down your equipment before and after shift change.
- Try to minimize riding in tandem or sharing equipment, i.e. loaders



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## SRIC and COVID-19

- Have a contingency plan in place, in case a crew or whole organization is on quarantine.
- Have maps, emergency phone numbers, location of supplies and equipment in cabs of trucks.
- Have a back up to your back up



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## SRIC and COVID-19

- Taking all proper precautions and following COVID guidelines/procedures, we can have a safe winter!
- Stay healthy and have a safe winter season.



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## Any Questions??



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