

ROAD-READY

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND YOUR VEHICLE

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) encourages all residents to have an emergency preparedness plan in place, including maintaining a road-ready vehicle.



Check for Recalls

Regularly check for vehicle recalls, including tires, and schedule any necessary repairs. Visit [safercar.gov](https://www.safercar.gov) and enter the 17-character vehicle identification number (VIN) found on the driver side of your vehicle's dashboard or on your vehicle registration.



Inspect Tires

Check tires for damage, tread wear and proper inflation. Take caution not to overload your vehicle, which can result in tire failure. Don't forget to check your spare tire to ensure it's in good condition and ready for use.



Check Headlights and Wipers

Cloudy headlights can limit visibility. If you have an older vehicle, consider changing the headlight casing or use a restoration kit to improve visibility. Check wipers and replace if worn.



Check Fuel and Fluid Levels

Be sure your vehicle is fueled up and well-serviced before hitting the road. Check your battery charge and fluid levels.



Maps and Assistance

Be sure to carry printed maps as mobile phone connections and navigation may be inconsistent. Florida drivers can also call 511 on their cell phone or visit [Florida 511.com](https://www.florida511.com) online for up-to-the-minute traffic information. To report hazardous road conditions or request assistance, dial *FHP (*347) on your mobile device.

For more information, visit [flhsmv.gov](https://www.flhsmv.gov).

