

Bad Weather Driving

Practical skills

How stopping distances change, and what to do in each condition.

Stopping distance multipliers relative to a dry road.

Condition	Distance	Do
Dry	×1	Two-second gap
Wet	×2	Four-second gap
Snow	×3–4	Gentle inputs, high gear
Ice	×10	Avoid driving if possible
Fog	—	Fog lights below 100 m visibility
Strong wind	—	Both hands, expect gusts at gaps

Aquaplaning: ease off, do not brake, hold the wheel straight until the tyres regain contact.