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DRIVER TOOLBOX TALK · ABOUT 8 MINUTES

ADVERSE WEATHER.

Bad weather changes stopping distances, visibility, and vehicle stability all at once.

WHY THIS MATTERS

What's a normal drive in good conditions can become genuinely dangerous in bad ones. The vehicle hasn't changed, but everything about how it behaves has.

COVER WITH THE GROUP

Key Points

- Slow down before conditions get bad, not after you're already struggling
- Increase following distance significantly in rain, fog, or ice
- High-sided vehicles are vulnerable to crosswinds — know when to slow down or avoid exposed routes
- Check lights, wipers, and washers before setting off in poor weather
- If visibility drops badly, consider whether the journey should be delayed
- Know your route's risk points — bridges, exposed stretches, flood-prone areas
- No delivery is worth risking the vehicle or your life

WATCH OUT FOR

Common Mistakes

- Continuing at the normal limit because "that's what the sign says"
- Not checking the forecast before a long trip
- Underestimating how exposed a loaded trailer is to side winds

Ask the group:

What's the worst weather you've driven in, and what would you do differently now?

Who do you call if you decide a journey isn't safe to continue?

ATTENDANCE RECORD

Keep this page on file as evidence the talk took place. DVSA and the Traffic Commissioner look for proof of ongoing driver training, not just a policy that says it happens.

Talk delivered by: _____ **Date:** _____ **Location:** _____

Driver Name	Signature	Date