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Drivers facing the risk of snow and ice - RAC statement

RAC Breakdown spokesperson Rod Dennis said: “Drivers face some treacherous conditions as some truly wintry weather finally descends on large parts of the UK.

“Rain will quickly turn to sleet and snow through Tuesday afternoon, making driving conditions challenging. We strongly recommend drivers reduce their speed and more than double the amount of space between themselves and the vehicle in front, giving them more time to react if they need to.

“But the bigger problem for most drivers is likely to be the threat of ice overnight on Tuesday and into Wednesday morning’s commute. Roads and pavements will freeze overnight, leaving glass-like surfaces that will increase the risk of drivers, cyclists and pedestrians running into difficulties.

“Before setting out, it is vital that motorists check their car is up to the task of coping with the more wintry conditions – many breakdowns are preventable with the right preparation. Spending a few minutes checking over tyres, together with oil, coolant and screenwash levels could save hours stuck at the side of the road in the cold.

“Nonetheless, our patrols and the teams supporting them behind the scenes will be working exceptionally hard to assist all those people whose cars fail them.”



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The RAC, an iconic UK brand, provides complete peace of mind to nearly 14 million UK private and business drivers, whatever their motoring needs. As well as its premium nationwide breakdown assistance service – with an expert branded patrol workforce attending more than two million breakdowns every year – it offers a wide range of market-leading products across insurance, legal services, vehicle inspections and service, maintenance and repair. Included in this is the first-of-its-kind nationwide Mobile Mechanics service which brings the garage to homes and workplaces.

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