

Warm weather after the winter months brings everyone out of doors. Watch for motorcycles, bicycles, and children on the street.



## Good Weather Pedal to the Metal

There is something about warm days that makes us feel carefree. Driving while carefree means a spike in speeding. Keep an eye on the speedometer and use cruise control.

## Sunrise and Sunset

Driving towards the sun can hamper visibility. Be sure your windshield is clean and fill up on wiper fluid. Keep sunglasses in your vehicle.

## Playgrounds

Long days and warm weather means activity in the playgrounds and almost any open space. Watch for children and obey the posted speed limit.

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# Safe Roads

Speeding impacts us all.  
Slow down. Safe roads  
begin with you!



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# Our choices can make the difference between life and death.

## Speeding

While speed doesn't always cause crashes, it always determines the severity of a crash. Even a small difference in speed can mean the difference between life and death. This is especially true for pedestrians, motorcyclists and cyclists. **Stay within the speed limit.**

## Distracted Driving

Distraction accounts for 20–30% of collisions. Most people associate distracted driving with drivers using cell phones. However, distraction can refer to anything that takes your eyes off the road and or your mind away from driving. **Make getting to your destination safely your priority.**

## Following Too Closely

Almost 40% of all motor-vehicle collisions in Edmonton are a result of drivers following too closely. Speeding and distraction contribute to this high number, but many could be prevented simply by leaving more space. **Relax. Get there in one piece.** Leave more space when the roads are wet, icy, or have sand on them.

## Red Lights

Rolling through a red light or past a stop sign is a traffic violation and puts pedestrians and other drivers at risk. **Come to a complete stop and look both ways** before turning. There may be pedestrians crossing.

## Vision Zero

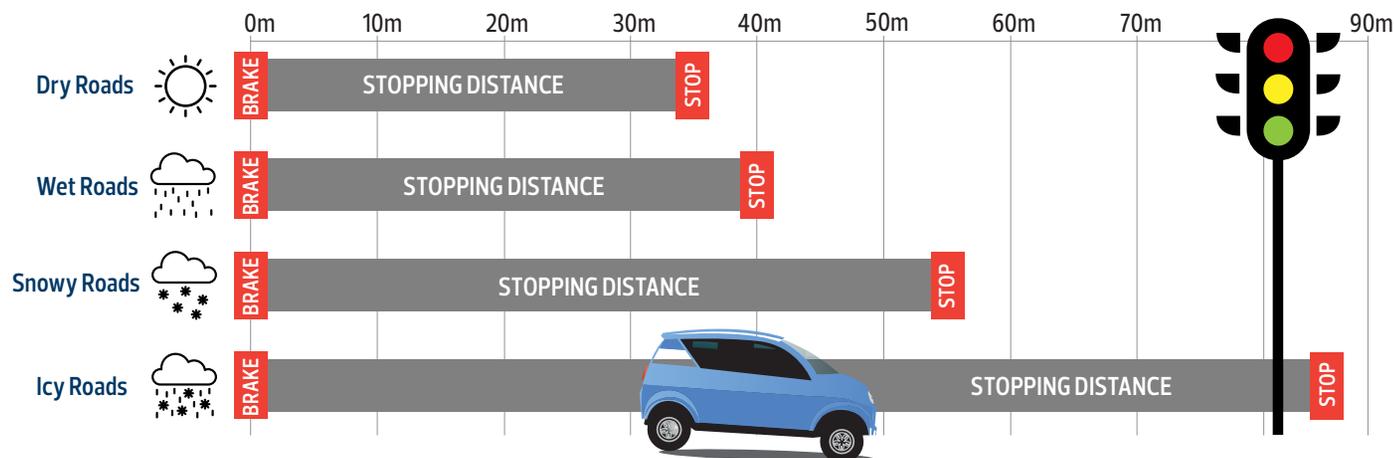
What is the acceptable annual number of fatalities and serious injuries on Edmonton roads? What is the acceptable number if the dead and injured are your family members? **Zero.** [edmonton.ca/visionzero](http://edmonton.ca/visionzero)

## Stopping

If your vehicle skids into an intersection because you could not stop, you are travelling too fast for road conditions. **Slow down.**

## Stopping Distance in Different Weather

Stopping distance increases as weather worsens – Car travelling 50 km/h on a dry road, wet road, packed snow road, and icy road.



For pedestrians speed is particularly lethal.

If hit by a vehicle travelling at:

**30** km/hr the survival rate is **90%**

**50** km/hr the survival rate is **20%**

**60** km/hr the survival rate is **10%**

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