Vehicle Travel Readiness

Safety at Work and Home

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Why Vehicle Readiness Matters

- Dependable vehicles are essential for safety in both work and family life
- A few quick checks can prevent breakdowns, delays, and accidents
- Summer heat and longdistance travel add extra strain on vehicles and trailers





Vehicle Readiness Checklist

- Tires Check tread depth and air pressure
- Coolant and Fluids Ensure coolant, oil, and windshield washer fluid are topped off
- Emergency Supplies Pack water, flashlight, jumper cables, and a first aid kit
- Spare Tire Confirm it's present, inflated, and in usable condition

Trailer Readiness Checklist

- Tires Inspect for wear and correct pressure, be mindful of age of tire
- Load securement Yard waste, life jackets, bicycles
- Safety Chains Ensure they're properly connected and not dragging [Fire Danger]
- Breakaway Battery and Brakes Test for full functionality
- Wheel Bearings Inspect and grease regularly
- Spare Tire Make sure it's in good condition and accessible



Final Reminder

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A safe trip begins before you hit the road.



Taking 10 minutes to inspect your vehicle and trailer could save hours — or lives — down the line.



Let's keep our teams, families, and communities safe this summer.