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Inclement weather doesn't always keep us from traveling to work.

Even on snowy days, many employees need to make the trek to their job - whether it is an indoor office or an outdoor construction site.

Unfortunately, cold temperatures create a whole new host of work hazards for all of us. From slip and fall injuries to painful joints, it's important that employees take a few extra precautions to stay safe.

### Stay Warm

Make sure that you dress appropriately on cold days, especially if you are going to be working outside. Many construction site workers need to be mindful of frostbite and even hypothermia.

### Walk Carefully

Slip and falls tend to rise during the winter months. Walk carefully through the parking lot even if the area looks clear. If you're working outdoors, make sure that your shoes have good traction and be mindful of your step. If you do slip and fall while performing company related tasks, you can qualify for workers' compensation.

### **Be Careful When Shoveling**

Whether you are shoveling at home or it's part of your job, be careful when removing snow and ice from roofs, sidewalks, or parking lots. This is especially true if you are using any ladders!

## **Drive Slowly**

Your accident risk increases on snowy and icy days. If you're driving into work during inclement weather, be careful! Unfortunately, injuries that happen while driving to or from work often do not qualify for workers' compensation.

If you experience any workplace injuries this winter, our attorneys are here to help you receive the compensation you deserve. Contact our office to learn more. We can help you determine if your claim qualifies for workers' compensation and help you get coverage you're entitled to.

Learn more about our practice and our attorneys on our <u>website</u>. You can also call 718-626-7730 directly to reach our office for legal assistance.

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