



Teens should avoid traveling during winter storms when official warnings indicate hazardous conditions, such as blizzard warnings (visibility < 1/4 mile, winds > 35 mph), ice storm warnings, or when local authorities advise staying off roads. Key dangers include ice-covered roads, low visibility, and potential hypothermia, making it safest to stay home.

When to Avoid Travel:

Winter Storm/Blizzard Warnings: Issued by the National Weather Service when dangerous conditions (heavy snow, high winds, ice) are imminent.

Low Visibility: If you cannot see far ahead due to heavy, blowing snow, do not drive.

Ice Accumulation: Freezing rain warnings indicate treacherous driving/walking conditions.

Local Advisories: Check local news, 5-1-1 for road reports, and avoid travel if authorities suggest it.