

Safety Tips: Driving in the Dark

1 Plan ahead



Check your headlights, tyres and windscreens before you drive. It's also a good idea to plan ahead, especially if it's an unfamiliar route.

2 Clean your windscreen



A dirty windscreen, or one that has damage such as scratches or cracks, can intensify glare and make it harder to see, increasing your chances of an accident.

3 Adjust your mirrors



One way you can do this is to adjust your rearview and side mirrors in order to avoid glare and account for nighttime driving conditions.

4 Turn on your headlights



This means that even during these twilight hours, the view of the road remains fully lit.

5 Keep your distance



The increased loss of visibility means that you should consider leaving a larger gap than normal.

6 Watch out for pedestrians



Plus, when driving in rural areas on country roads, keep an eye out for animals and wildlife.

7 Drive carefully through water



When approaching puddles or standing water, go through it slowly; if unsure of its depth.

8 Stick to main roads



We recommend sticking to main roads when driving during the night. Country or rural roads are not as well-lit as main roads

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