# Playbook

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## 75 Points to Conquer the Cold



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Many of these points are all season common for homes and offices.

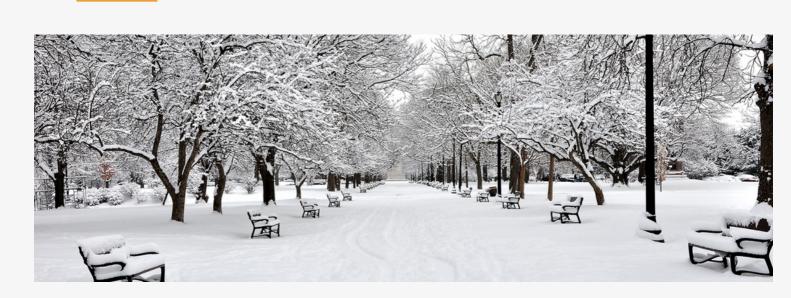
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#### **BAU DOs:**

- 1. Drink warm tea/ coffee/ soup: enough of these
- 2. Warmers should already be out keep them ready on order and use when needed
- 3. Get the pre-winter/ winter health checkup get fresh prescriptions and stock your medicines
- 4. Get the pre-winter/winter checkup of the vehicles
- 5. Always inform your spouse/ companion about your policies/ investments etc. Have nominations in all of these.

6. Know your neighbours - old people are more vulnerable - those alone may need more attention and care

- 7. Wash hands frequently with soap and water
- 8. Use hand sanitizer when soap is not available
- 9. Avoid touching your face, especially eyes, nose, and mouth
- 10. Cough or sneeze over your elbow
- 11. Consider using masks in crowded places or during illness outbreaks
- 12. Dispose of tissues and masks properly
- 13. Regularly clean and disinfect frequently-touched surfaces (doorknobs, light switches, etc.)
- 14. Use disinfectant wipes in common areas
- 15. Establish a routine for deep cleaning living spaces
- 16. Maintain regular exercise routines to support overall health
- 17. Consider indoor workout options during extreme weather





#### **Emergency Kit**:

- 18. Water (at least a 3-day supply, one gallon per person per day) expiry date checked
- 19. Non-perishable food items expiry date checked
- 20. First aid kit expiry date checked
- 21. Flashlights with extra batteries charged/ new
- 22. Blankets or sleeping bags
- 23. Warm clothing, gloves, and hats
- 24. Multipurpose tool or knife
- 25. Portable phone charger

**Communication Plan:** 

- 26. Emergency contacts list up-to-date
- 27. Family communication plan in case of separation

28. Establish a communication channel with neighbors for mutual support – exchange numbers, ask them if they are leaving home, tell them when you leave

#### **Home Preparation:**

- 29. Insulate pipes to prevent freezing
- 30. Seal drafts around windows and doors
- 31. Ensure heating systems are in good working order
- 32, Clean chimneys and flues if you still have and use
- 33. Be aware of emergency shut-off procedures for gas, water, and electricity





#### **Vehicle Readiness:**

- 34. Winter tires and chains
- 35. Emergency car kit (blankets, flashlight, jumper cables, etc.)
- 36. Keep the fuel tank at least half full
- 37. Check antifreeze levels and ensure other fluids are topped off

#### Weather Monitoring:

- 38. Stay informed about weather forecasts
- 39. Install a weather app on your phone
- 40. Monitor local news and government alerts

#### **Health and Safety:**

- 41. Get a flu shot wherever needed/ allowed
- 42. Stock up on essential medications do not stockpile
- 43. Practice good hygiene to prevent the spread of illness
- 44. Create a health emergency plan for family members

**Community Resources:** 

- 45. Identify local emergency shelters and resources
- 46. Join community preparedness programs or forums





#### **Emergency Finances:**

- 47. Keep some cash on hand
- 48. Ensure access to online banking in case of outages

**Fire Safety:** 

49. Check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors

50. Review fire escape plans with family members

**Cold and Flu Preparedness:** 

- **51. Stay Informed**
- 52. Be aware of flu symptoms and seek medical attention if necessary
- 53. Follow public health guidelines and recommendations
- 54. Stay informed about vaccine availability and updates
- 55 Ensure you have a supply of over-the-counter cold and flu medications
- 56 Stock up on tissues, cough drops, and other related supplies
- 57. Maintain a well-stocked pantry with nourishing foods

**Quarantine and Isolation Plan:** 

- 58. Have a plan in place if someone in your household becomes sick
- 59. Designate a separate room and bathroom for the sick person
- 60. Plan for food and supplies delivery if needed





#### **Telehealth Options:**

61. Familiarize yourself with telehealth services for remote medical consultations

62. Ensure you have access to virtual pharmacy services

**Mental Health Support:** 

63. Plan access to mental health resources/ support groups/ counsellors

**Travel Precautions:** 

64. Be cautious about travel during severe weather conditions 65. Check road conditions and travel advisories

**Educational Outreach**:

66. Attend/ conduct workshops or webinars on winter preparedness for your community 67. Share informative content on social media platforms – use Daman's Thermometer (copyrighted concept) before consumption and sharing

**Global Perspective:** 

68. Consider cultural variations in winter preparedness69. Research and integrate best practices from diverse regions





**Technology Integration:** 

70. Utilize smart home technology for monitoring and control during emergencies

71. Encourage the use of emergency apps for real-time information

**Training Programs:** 

72. Develop and conduct training programs for businesses and communities

73. Seek or offer consulting services for tailored emergency preparedness plans

**Documentation and Review:** 

74. Document your emergency preparedness plan75. Regularly review, test, and update the plan based on feedback and changing circumstances





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