

Gridlock Prepared for a journey

Prolonged traffic holdup

Being well prepared for travelling by car should entail three distinct measures:

- In Car Emergency Kit Basic requirements phone, contact details, water and snacks Ad hoc items to suit weather and passengers

In Car Emergency Kit	The emergency kit should remain in the car at all times containing: I litre fuel canister (always refill after use) Jumper cables (12-20') Flat tire inflation canister (non-explosive) or spare tire and jack Small toolkit First aid kit Torch and batteries or wind-up torch Blanket Fold up shovel High visibility vest High visibility hazard sign And in winter: Ice scraper Windscreen de-icer spray Wellingtons and spare socks
Basic requirements should always be stored in the car or taken with you	Mobile phone Insurance and recovery details Bottled water Energy snacks
Ad hoc items	In hot weather: Extra water and sun tan lotion In cold weather: Warm clothing, flask of hot drink, suitable footware With children and pets: Suitable provisions and activities
If stuck in snow	Put on your hazard lights, keep the engine running and heater on until help arrives.