

DRIVING IN ICELAND

can be very dangerous for various reasons.

Please drive safely and maintain your attention on driving at all times.



HOLD THE DOORS

Please hold onto your door when opening. Due to strong winds, doors can often fly open and this is the most common cause for damage. Make sure to hold onto the door handle when entering and exiting the car.



ROUNABOUTS

In Iceland the inner circle normally has all priority. If not leaving the roundabout in the first exit, stay on the inner (left) lane.

ICING ON ROADS

The roads can be icy on spots and need the full attention of the driver at all times. Please beware of the temperature outside and always drive slowly as it will help you stay in control.



SUDDEN WEATHER CHANGES

Weather in Iceland can change rapidly, from good to very poor. Always check road conditions and weather forecast you can see it on following websites: road.is & safetravel.is

SPEEDING

In Iceland we have country roads, gravel roads, mountain roads and many blind spots. The road system requires that drivers stay within the speed limits and are fully alert at all times. Speeding cameras in operation!

DISTANCE BETWEEN CARS

You can avoid many incidents by leaving enough space behind the next vehicle on the road.

ALWAYS WEAR SEATBELTS

Seatbelts prevent serious injuries resulting from accidents. You are required by law to wear your seatbelt at all times.



NEVER STOP THE CAR IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD

If you want to stop the car on the road to take a photo or admire scenery - always make sure you pull over in a SAFE location.

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BROKEN WINDSCREENS

Windcreens are broken due to small loose flying rocks/gravel cast up by vehicles in front or passing.

Driving slowly will decrease the danger of your windscreen sustaining damage.

CROSSING RIVERS CAN BE DANGEROUS!

No insurance covers water damage.



HEADLIGHTS ON

It is a legal requirement that headlights are switched on whenever you are driving, even in the daytime! Cars driving with no lights have an increased risk of an accident.

I'M AWARE THAT...

- My insurance does not cover damages when driving off road or in water/rivers.
- My insurance does not cover damages to tires and underbody of the vehicle.
- I need special insurance to reduce excess liability in case of damages caused by ash/sandstorm.
- I need special insurance to cover damages to the front windshield.
- I need to use the right fuel type for the car I am renting.

