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Killam / Forestburg RCMP looking to keep pedestrians safe this winter

Killam / Forestburg, Alta. – As the winter months approach and the days grow shorter, staying safe as a pedestrian becomes even more important. Reduced visibility, icy sidewalks, and snow-covered streets can increase the risks for those walking near traffic.

Killam / Forestburg RCMP emphasizes the importance of pedestrian safety and offers the following tips to help ensure individuals remain safe while navigating this winter's slippery streets:

- Wear bright or reflective clothing to increase your visibility to drivers.
- Carry a flashlight or use your phone's light when walking after dark.
- Always walk facing traffic when sidewalks are not available.
- Avoid distractions like using your phone or wearing headphones while crossing streets.
- Make eye contact with drivers before stepping into a crosswalk to ensure they see you.
- Use designated crosswalks and obey traffic signals, even if no vehicles appear to be around.
- Take extra care in icy or snowy conditions, and allow more time to cross streets.
- Wear shoes with good traction to reduce the risk of slipping.
- Stay alert for turning vehicles, even when you have the right of way.

For more tips on how you can stay safe as a pedestrian this winter, follow us on Facebook @RCMPinAlberta and on X @RCMPAlberta.

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