

Winter-time Safety: Carbon Monoxide Poisoning



When there's snow on
the ground,
**CARBON MONOXIDE
POISONING IS A
DANGER TO YOUR FAMILY!**



Here's what you need to know.

Carbon Monoxide is an invisible gas. It has no smell, taste, or color. It's a POISON and it can kill!

In the winter, the exhaust pipe on your car can get blocked by snow.

If you warm up your car with a blocked exhaust pipe, carbon monoxide will back up into your car. Anyone sitting in the car can be poisoned.

- Never leave a car running in the garage.
- Never leave a child or pet in a car with the motor running.
- Never sleep in a car with the motor running.

If a heater in your house has a vent to the outside, the vent can get blocked by snow.

If the vent is blocked, the furnace/heater it can produce Carbon Monoxide that will back up into your house and poison you and your family. It can happen while you are asleep.

- Keep checking to make sure that all your heating vents are free of snow at all times.
- Put a carbon monoxide detector in your home - it will alert you when there is carbon monoxide inside the house.