

## Road Condition Ratings \*

### Rating

### Definition

### Restrictions

**Green**

Normal driving conditions. Roads are clear and dry.

No special equipment is required. Normal dispatch procedures apply.

**Amber**

Cautionary driving conditions. Roads are wet, or have snow or icy areas.

Normal dispatch procedures apply; ensure drivers take precautionary measures to help avoid accidents.

**Red**

Hazardous driving conditions. Roads are covered with ice or hard-packed snow. Heavy precipitation and/or high winds are limiting visibility.

No unnecessary travel. Tire chains are recommended for all series of vehicles if the vehicle is authorized tire chains per the operator's manual. Dispatches must be authorized and signed by an O-5 commander or civilian O-5 equivalent (i.e. division chief or director).

**Black**

Extremely dangerous, life-threatening conditions. Roads are covered with hard-packed snow or ice and possibly are unplowed. Heavy snowfall and/or high winds causing zero visibility are occurring or expected.

All vehicle traffic operations are suspended except for police, fire, medical snow removal and service vehicles and other operations in support of national defense. Tire chains must be mounted on tactical military vehicles if the vehicles are authorized tire chains per the operator's manual. Dispatches must be authorized and signed by the approving authority for high-risk missions, brigade commander / garrison director.

\* Road condition ratings provide mandatory instruction for military vehicle operators to follow. Fort Drum officials recommend that personnel in their privately owned vehicles use the guidance when planning their travel.