



# ELECTRIC VEHICLE TIPS: BEFORE YOU HIT THE ROAD

If you're new to the EV scene, take time to learn the basics of successful EV operation.

## Precondition the vehicle

Warming up the vehicle in hot or cold temps is still advised in an electric vehicle. Yet it's called preconditioning, since you'll do so while it's charged as to not pull energy from your battery stores. Instead, it will take the power from the outlet.

## Use the in-vehicle technology

Pay attention to the onboard system and mobile app that accompany the vehicle. They offer useful information to help you drive more efficiently, like km or miles traveled and energy used.

## Map out your trip

Take a few minutes to plan your trip ahead of time. Understand where you're going, chart your route and scout out stations in the vicinity. Often, you can charge while you hold a meeting or answer a service call. All you need is a bit of planning to meet your needs.

## Use gasoline as a backup

When driving a plugin hybrid, the internal combustion engine will kick in after you deplete your energy stores. So, utilize the electric motor as much as possible. Save gasoline for emergencies.

