



# Public Service Announcement

## Plan to arrive home safely when travelling on the land

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Are you planning to travel on the land? The Government of Nunavut reminds all Nunavummiut to take these safety precautions before travelling on the land:

- **Always** plan to travel with an emergency communications device or GPS that is in working order;
- **Sign out a free SPOT device** at your hamlet office, wildlife office or hunter's and trapper's organization;
- GPS devices sometimes fail. Be sure to bring a backup like a compass and maps, and make sure you know how to use them;
- Always travel with a partner or with a group;
- Tell family and friends where you are going and when you plan to get there;
- Plan a time to notify search and rescue if a family member is overdue;
- Prepare for 72 hours on the land - bring extra fuel, food, clothing and camping equipment, even on day trips.

If you are the person responsible for calling search and rescue because someone is overdue, please contact the Emergency Line at 1-800-693-1666.

If you get lost, stranded or have an emergency while on the land, remember to:

- Stay with your equipment and your travel companion – do not continue traveling;
- Press "Help" on your SPOT device if you are stranded or lost; or
- Press "911" on your SPOT device in the event of a serious emergency.

Even experienced travelers sometimes need help. When you make and stick with a travel plan for your excursions on the land, your best experience will be arriving home safely.

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