Driving Hazards Rise in the Fall



People don't tend to think of the fall as a hazardous season in which to drive. Here are some statistics that may make you think otherwise.

- 1. Pedestrians walking at dusk soon after daylight saving time ends have triple the odds of being struck hit by a vehicle. (CNN Report)
- 2. Number 1 on the list of road surfaces to freeze during the fall and winter months is bridge decks.
- 3. Oil and rubber that build up over the summer months are 2 things that can make roads extremely slippery when the weather turns rainy in the autumn months.
- 4. If you encounter fog during fall months, do these 3 things: Slow down, turn on your vehicle's headlights (low-beam) and exercise extreme caution.
- 5. When driving in rain, remember these 4 tips: Slow down, avoid hard braking, avoid large sudden steering movements and watch the road well ahead for any hazards.
- 6. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation says 46 percent of all reportable crashes involving deer on the road within a five-year period occurred in October and November.