## Precautions for driving with T1D

## Check that you have the following supplies on hand:

- a capillary blood sugar meter;
- Enough quick-acting sugar to treat two hypoglycemic episodes (e.g., glucose tablets, sweet drink).

In addition to having your emergency kit with you at all times, you could make a habit of leaving quick-acting sugar in your car for emergencies.



CHECK YOUR BLOOD SUGAR and follow it's trend <u>before</u> driving, <u>every</u> <u>four hours</u> while driving and <u>more</u> often if:

- you feel symptoms of hypoglycemia while driving;
- you have hypoglycemia unawareness;
- you have suffered from severe hypoglycemia before.

STOP DO NOT DRIVE IF: STOP

- your blood sugar is below 4 mmol/L;
- after a hypoglycemic episode, your blood sugar is below 5 mmol/L;
- you took rapid-acting insulin without eating within four hours before driving.

## **NO DRIVING!** Treat your hypoglycemia • Wait 15 minutes, then measure your blood sugar again Less than • Once your blood sugar is back to 4 normal levels, eat a snack and mmol/L wait 40 minutes before driving again. Waiting this long is essential to restore your full alertness. 4 to 5 Eat a snack containing around 15 g of mmol/L carb(without insulin)

Steps to follow based on your blood sugar

4 to 20 mmol/L	OK TO DRIVE
Above 20 mmol/L	AVOID DRIVING If you experience: • Discomfort • Sleepiness • Blurry vision

## If an accident occurs, authorities may request proof that you measured your blood sugar

