

Winterizing your Corvette (Dec 31st, 2008 by michaelvette)

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How to on what you need to do in order to keep your Corvette in great shape over the winter months.

If you own a Corvette and you live in the less tropical areas of the world, there are a few things you need to take care of as winter closes in. First of all, if you don't have an indoor storage area, that needs to be arranged. Many cities have facilities where cars can be stored. Even a self-storage unit is preferable to keeping your Corvette outside to be the landing point for ice, sleet, and snow that's coming soon.

One item you're going to need is a flow-charger to keep that battery charged up so when spring arrives you'll be ready to start her up and drive. You can find one of these relatively cheaply at your local auto parts store. Opt for the more expensive 3 amp rather than the 1.5 amp. You'll be happy you did. You can either hook it up to your battery, or if it comes with a cigarette lighter plug in, you can use that. You'll find the plug in inside your console if you've got a C5.

Rodents can be a big problem during the winter. They come into your garage seeking shelter and love to crawl inside your exhaust pipes and build nests in your engine compartment. Stuff a little steel wool inside your exhaust tips and distribute some moth balls in your engine compartment.

Walmart sells a dessiccant that you can place inside the cockpit. Open a bar or two of Irish Spring and set that on the floor mats (on the wrapper) for a fresh smell when spring arrives.

Inflate the tires to about 40 psi to prevent any flat spots from developing.

Add a bottle of Sta-bil to your gas tank and top it off with fresh gasoline. Throw the cover over it, and you're done.