

## SNOWFALL – SEVERE COLD

### **Actions to take before the snowfall or the snowstorm**

- **If you live in an area facing problems by snowfalls:**
  - Get heating materials (referring especially to mountain settlements) and provisions for several days.
  - If you live in a rough area, get the necessary equipment to shovel the snow.

### **Actions to take during the Snowfall or the Snowstorm**

- **If outside:**
  - Go to a safe place.
  - Do not expose yourself to the snowstorm. If you have to go outside, put suitable clothes. Prefer many light and warm clothes instead of a heavy one. Prefer waterproof overcoat. Put on warm and waterproof boots.
  - In areas where snowfalls are expected to occur, be extremely careful when moving.
  - If it is necessary for you to drive, use wheel chains. Prefer to travel during the day. Use highways and inform your relatives of your itinerary. If you move in the city, use public transport.
- **In a vehicle:**
  - Change your itinerary if there is a strong snowfall and you are in a rough road.
  - Avoid driving in rough mountain areas.
  - Keep safety distance from the vehicles in front of you. Stay in the car if it has stopped. Put a colored cloth on the radio antenna so that the rescue teams can locate you. Start the engine for 10 minutes per hour and remove snow from the exhaust.

### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- Keep your house warm and stay indoors, if this is possible.
- Do not let children go out in bad weather.
- Put on suitable clothes and shoes.
- Check the watering network of your house as well as the solar heater (pipes and window glass).