

HOW YOU CAN HELP...

You can enhance the snow plowing operation by following these suggestions:

- Make certain that your vehicle is ready for winter driving
- Adhere to winter parking bans.
- Park vehicles off the road or in your driveway during a snowstorm.
- Reduce driving speed and drive cautiously.
- Do not drive in winter snowstorms unless absolutely necessary
- Do not throw, plow or blow snow onto the road. This creates a hazard to you and to others.
- Plows are designed to throw snow up to 30-feet.
- Sidewalk traffic is not advised during a storm event.
- Before your final driveway cleanup, check the street. If the street is not “widened-out”, a plow truck should return to plow again.
- Please understand that the City cannot shovel or plow out the end of your driveway, nor can private property be plowed.

Please be patient, Snow plowing takes time to cover the 100 miles of streets.

VEHICLES ON

EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTES

In the event that a “Snow Emergency” has been declared, clearing of emergency snow routes will be a priority in order to return the City to normal and safe travel. Pursuant to City ordinances in a snow emergency, no vehicle shall be parked on any street designated as an emergency snow route. This will include cul-de-sacs, as passed by ordinance October 2013.

DRIVEWAYS

It is important that you clear your driveway entrance before possible re-freezing making it difficult to shovel out. When shoveling snow at the driveway entrance facing the street you should shovel the snow to the right side of the driveway. This will assist in keeping additional snow from being pushed back across your driveway when City trucks begin widening the drive lanes.

Pushing snow from a driveway into the street is a violation of the City Code.



DRIVING TIPS

Exercise extreme care when driving in inclement weather. Driving on snow packed or icy roads requires your full attention and puts heightened demands on driving skills. Remember to be patient, drive at reduced speeds, and brake slowly. Help city crews by not parking along streets designated as emergency snow routes.



The Warrensburg Public Works Department strives to provide the safest streets and roadways in the shortest period of time for the citizens. With your cooperation we will all benefit. Please feel free to contact the Public Works Department if you have any questions related to any snow storm event. Thank you.

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EMERGENCY SNOW PLAN

SNOWFALL STARTS

Snowplowing operations begin when snow accumulates two (2) inches or icing occurs.

When the snowfall starts, sand and salt will be immediately applied to prevent the snow from being compacted and frozen to the surface.

When a snow emergency is declared, priority will be given to emergency snow routes.

Additional priority will also include:

- Streets adjacent to schools
- Bus Routes
- Police, Fire and Rescue Stations
- Steep graded hills and sharp curves

Residential streets will receive service after thoroughfares, snow routes and priority locations have been cleared.

The drivers plow their assigned routes to open-up each road in a predetermined sequence. If the intensity of the storm warrants, the plows remain in the same pattern until the storm subsides. Once the storm is over, the plows will widen all roads by pushing snow to the curb-line.

Please wait to shovel driveway entrances until streets are widened.

STORM PROCEDURES

There are three (3) basic procedures followed in snowstorm operations:

Procedure 1: When snow accumulation is less than two (2) inches or icing occurs, the emergency snow routes and priority routes will be treated with sand and salt. If warranted, residential streets will also be treated.

Procedure 2: If snow accumulation is from two (2) to four (4) inches, primary snow routes will be treated with sand and salt, and if warranted, plowed. If needed, residential streets will only be plowed in the center, and treated with sand and salt. A "Snow Emergency" will be declared if warranted.

Procedure 3: When snow accumulation is four (4) inches or more, emergency and priority routes will be plowed and receive treatment first during any snow-storm. Residential streets will be plowed in the center after these routes are cleared. Every street will receive an application of deicing materials and a "Snow Emergency" will be declared.

After the snowstorm has ended, our crews must continue to monitor all roads for icy spots, drifting snow, etc. At this time, an application of sand or salt is usually applied to all road surfaces. Some roads will receive an application of salt and sand to melt the remaining snow and ice.

MAILBOXES

To reduce the possibility of damaging a mailbox, our plow truck operators are trained to avoid them. However, experience has shown that with reduced visibility during a snowstorm, combined with the height of the snow banks, it is not always possible for a driver to see a mailbox in time to avoid a collision with the "wing" or the heavy snow that is thrown by the moving plow. Any installation within the road right-of-way (including a mailbox) is placed there at the owners risk. Therefore property owners are encouraged to put mailboxes at the maximum allowable distance from the roadway pavement. Inspect your mailbox annually to insure mailboxes and posts are in good condition.



SIDEWALK ORDINANCE

It is the duty of the property owner or tenant of any premises abutting or adjoining any public sidewalk to remove all snow and/or ice from such sidewalk immediately following a storm.



WHO PLOWS THE SNOW?

Street Department Employees	11
Wastewater Department	5
Cemetery Foreman	1
Buildings and Grounds	1
Public Works Administration	3

EQUIPMENT

Trucks with Plows & Sanders	9
Skid Loaders	2
Tractor with plow	1
Loader	1

AREAS TO PLOW

Total Street Miles	100
Total Lane Miles	270
Cul-de-Sacs	92
Parking Lots	7
Civic Center Area and Depot Parking Lot	
Sunset Hill Cemetery Roadways	