



## ❄️ Don't Move Snow into the Street

It is a violation of the Omaha Municipal Code to shovel, blow or plow snow onto an alley or street. The Public Works Department may remove improperly placed snow from a street or alley. The cost of the removal will be charged to the responsible property. Report violations to 444-4919.

We have all faced the problem of driving on a plowed street only to run into a spot where someone has placed snow onto the street. This is a significant hazard to drivers.

*Your help is greatly appreciated!*

## ❄️ Good Neighbor Policy

Many people require assistance after a snowstorm. The elderly and disabled often need help removing snow from their sidewalks and driveways. Some people require transportation or other assistance. Many organizations are looking for volunteers to assist those in need during and after snow events.



## ❄️ Major Streets

In the event of a winter storm, the Public Works Department will clear major streets of ice and snow as soon as possible. Major streets are defined as commuter routes and collector streets in neighborhoods.

The time necessary to achieve this goal varies significantly with the amount of snow and the length of the snowfall. Snow removal on major streets continues after the end of the storm.

## ❄️ Interstate and Expressway Systems

The Nebraska Department of Roads, 595-2497, removes the snow and ice from the Interstate System, Kennedy Expressway, North Expressway and West Dodge Expressway.

## ❄️ Additional Information

For additional information, visit the City's website at [www.cityofomaha.org](http://www.cityofomaha.org) and click on the Snow Button. Off season, this information can be found under the Public Works Department.

Requests for snow removal, snow operations information, and for any street maintenance or street repair activity may be directed to the Omaha Street Maintenance Division at 444-4919.



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## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT STREET MAINTENANCE DIVISION

### Snow Plan and Winter Operation Procedures

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## ❄️ Snow Emergencies

The City of Omaha, Public Works Department strives to provide effective snow and ice removal to allow motorists to travel safely within the City during winter weather. Each snowstorm is unique, and the snow or ice control operation changes depending on the amount, type and intensity of the precipitation. Motorists should always exercise caution and drive appropriately for the road conditions.

## ❄️ Residential Streets

Residential streets provide access to homes and businesses. They are not high volume through streets. Clearing of residential streets will begin soon after accumulating snowfall ends.

## ❄️ Parking Restrictions

Omaha will declare a snow emergency when conditions warrant. Parking is not permitted on snow routes. Parking on streets east of 72nd Street must comply with the odd/even parking plan. Park on the odd number side of the street on odd calendar days. Park on the even number side of the street on even calendar days.

## ❄️ Please Clear Your Sidewalks

The Omaha Municipal Code requires all sidewalks to be shoveled within 24 hours after the City's major streets are cleared. We need your cooperation to keep your sidewalks safe and passable. Report uncleared sidewalks at 444-5283.



## ❄️ No Parking Signs in Residential Neighborhoods



*No parking zones indicated by this sign are waived during a snow emergency. The odd/even side parking rules apply.*

*No parking zones indicated by these signs are always in effect, even during a snow emergency.*



*During a snow emergency, a handicap parking stall may be used by a properly tagged vehicle only when parking is permitted on the side of the street where the stall is marked.*



## ❄️ Snow Plowed on Sidewalks and Driveways

Snow on the street is plowed to the curb. Previously cleared sidewalks and driveways may be re-covered with snow. The Public Works Department asks for property owners' cooperation in removing the snow again. Cleared sidewalks provide a safe walkway for pedestrians, including school children.

## ❄️ Mailboxes and Fire Hydrants

Curbside mailboxes and fire hydrants may become blocked by plowed snow. The U. S. Post Office has a policy regarding access to mailboxes. The U.S. Post Office does not require all snow to be removed from the mailbox, but enough to allow the mail trucks to drive up to the mailbox for delivery. This is the responsibility of the postal customer.

Removing snow around fire hydrants greatly assists the Fire Department. It is important that fire hydrants be visible and accessible at all times.



## ❄️ Snow and Ice Control

In response to most snow and ice events, the roads are treated with salt or a salt / sand mixture. If conditions and accumulations warrant, the City switches to plowing operation.

## ❄️ Sand Barrels

The Street Maintenance Division takes sand barrel requests from October 1 through November 30. Street Maintenance may not be able to comply with requests taken after November 30. Requests will be reviewed and if street conditions warrant, a sand barrel will be placed at the requested location.

