

VILLAGE OF WEST DUNDEE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS AND GUIDELINES

The West Dundee Village Board has established a Level of Service to enhance safe movement of vehicular traffic utilizing available resources.

Snow plowing and ice control for the miles of streets are top priority items during the winter season. Dedicated routes have been established to ensure major thoroughfares and residential and industrial areas receive proper attention during snow and ice storms.

The primary goal is to address the storm early on to get ahead of the task prior to noticeable accumulation. This will result in streets plowed for safe passage during each storm and from curb to curb at its conclusion.

SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS

Should snow continue to fall and salting by itself is no longer effective, the Director will mobilize the Department for snow removal operations. For snow removal operations, the Village is broken down into various sections.

LEVEL OF SERVICE

1. Salting – Provide ice-free intersections, hills and curves following snowfall depending upon available resources. Other areas are salted and usually become ice-free 1-2 days after snowfall, depending on temperatures and traffic volume.
2. Plowing – 2”–6”, depending on timing, resources and weather conditions, operations completed in 4-8 hours; 7” – 12”, depending on timing, resources and weather conditions, operations completed in 8-16 hours.

SNOW REMOVAL ON PARKWAY SIDEWALKS

LEVEL ONE SNOW REMOVAL

Level One areas are heavily traveled public areas. Primary snow removal will be to clear sidewalks to a point that allows pedestrians to walk safely. It is intended that removal will be to the pavement at all times. The area cleared however may be a walking path during a major snowstorm. Snow will also be removed by Village garbage corals in parking lots. After the snowstorm ends, final route cleanup is complete and Public Works is no longer allocated to primary snow removal on the streets, the remaining snow in these areas will be removed. This will be considered Level Two removal.

Designated Level One areas are: Main Street in the downtown area (Bluestone) and the south side of the Main Street Bridge, the sidewalk on First Street at the public parking lot, Village Hall, parkway sidewalks at the north and south parking lots, Village garbage corals in parking lots and

the Public Safety Buildings. After a 2 inch snowfall, Fire Department staff is responsible for sidewalk cleaning, up to 2 inches.

LEVEL TWO SNOW REMOVAL

Level Two areas are more time consuming to clean. Level Two areas are less traveled than Level One areas and are considered less essential. Snow removal in these areas will follow once the Level One areas have been cleared.

Timing of this clean up will allow the streets to be cleared of snow first. This will prevent pushing snow back and forth between the street and the sidewalks.

Designated Level Two areas are; the Riverwalk; the River Wall, the Footbridge, north Sixth Street from Union School to Lincoln Avenue, along Route 72 from Tartans Drive to Jewel, all bike paths, sidewalks adjacent to water/wastewater facilities and sidewalks adjacent to the Carrington natural areas that are not associated with private property.

LEVEL THREE SNOW REMOVAL

Level Three snow removal is service and recreational areas. The service areas are Public Works facilities such as lift stations and well houses.

Recreational areas are utilized by people who are out to enjoy the weather. These areas are ranked the lowest in priority.

DOWNTOWN SNOW REMOVAL

Up to three inches of snow and depending on the timing of the storm, the walks will be completely cleared and the snow will be removed from parking areas. Three inches or more of snow after completion of snow plowing operations, the front and rear walks will be made passable with snow discharged to the curb lines. Depending on the timing and duration of the storm, crews will begin to remove the remaining snow from the downtown area within 12 hours. Snow removal operations in the Downtown area are best conducted at night and usually begin at 12:00 a.m. All parking lots and street parking areas will be cleared of snow and salted. The public walks and bluestone areas will be cleared of snow and ice melt product applied. Depending on the amount of snow and the timing of the storm, the downtown operations should be completed within 24-hours after plowing operations are complete.

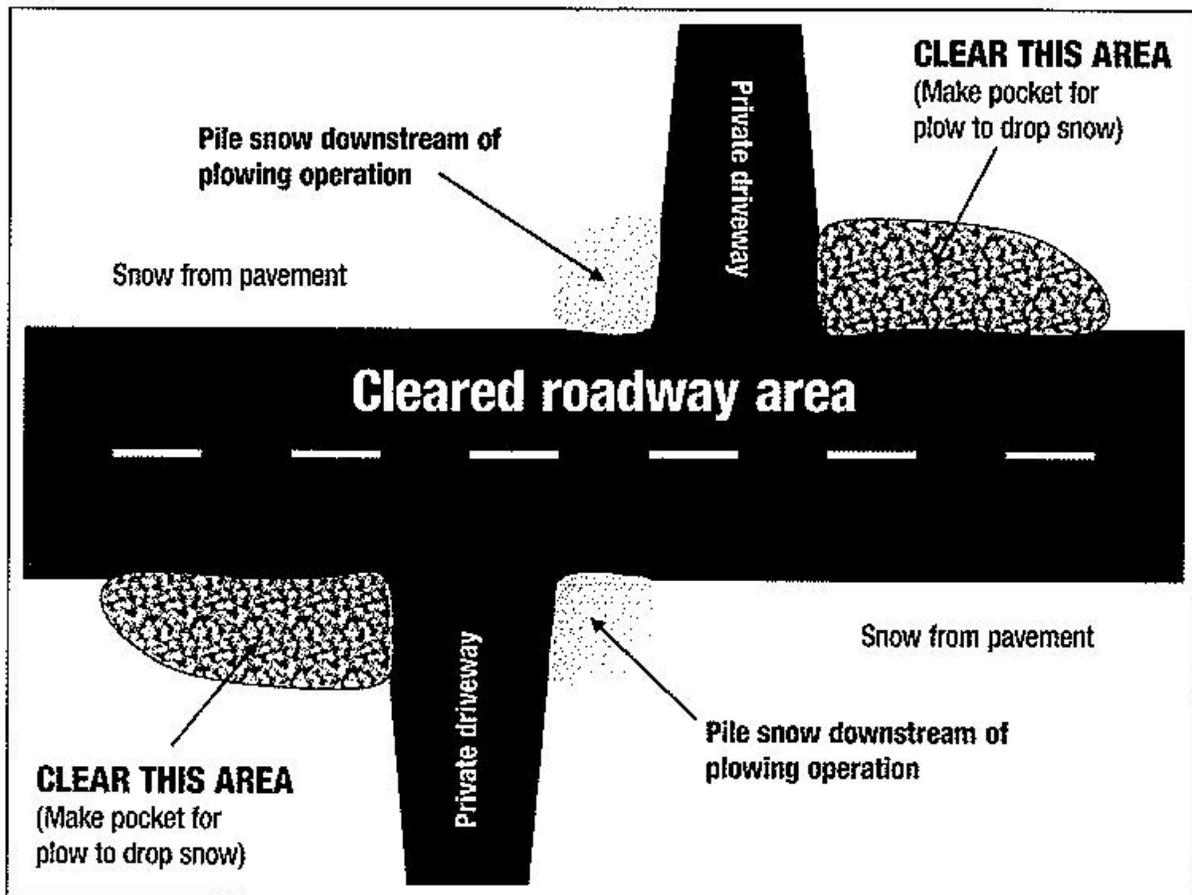
GUIDELINES FOR RESIDENTS

When clearing snow from your driveway, shovel snow downstream of roadway traffic.

Make a pocket on the opposite side of your driveway (as shown). By doing so, the snow that is plowed from the street will be pushed into the pocket instead of onto your driveway.

Please help us to ensure safe travel for pedestrians and vehicles:

- ❖ Please clear snow from around the hydrants near your residence to allow emergency crews quick access in case of fire.
- ❖ Keep public and private sidewalks clear of ice and snow for everyone's safety, including that of school-age children who walk daily to their bus stop (*see Village Ordinance below*)
- ❖ Do not stockpile snow at street intersections. This can create a vision obstruction that places everyone at risk.
- ❖ Please do not deposit or blow snow or ice onto Village streets.
- ❖ Please help neighbors who are unable to clear snow from sidewalks - Everyone benefits.
- ❖ Do not allow children to play in snow stockpiles, as this is a dangerous activity.
- ❖ When snowfall exceeds two inches in accumulation, on-street parking is prohibited.



VILLAGE ORDINANCE

8-1-14 SNOW AND/OR ICE REMOVAL

A. Every owner, lessee, tenant, occupant or other person having charge of any building or lot of ground in the village abutting upon any public way or public place shall remove the snow and ice from the sidewalk in front of such building or lot of ground. In case the snow or ice on the sidewalk shall be frozen so hard that such snow or ice cannot be removed without injury to the pavement, the person having charge of any building or lot of ground as aforesaid shall, within the time specified, cause the sidewalk abutting on the premises to be strewn with ashes, sand, sawdust or some similar suitable material, and as soon thereafter as the weather shall permit, such person shall thoroughly clean the sidewalk. (Ord. 98-28, 9-14-1998; 2004 Code)

B. Public sidewalks shall be kept free of snow and ice. Snow accumulations of two inches (2") or more of snow, sleet or freezing rain, shall be cleared from public sidewalks within forty eight (48) hours of the onset of a snow event. (2004 Code)