



Snow and Ice Conditions:

- Freezing rain, sleet, black ice, and freeze/thaw. These types of events are based on changing weather conditions. The required ice control and salting response is based on current and forecasted conditions.
- Snowfall of less than 2”. General snow plowing may not be necessary and normal ice control and salting procedures may be adequate to produce safe winter driving conditions. The plowing of streets may be necessary if a series of less than 2” snowfalls over time has caused a buildup of snow on city streets.
- Snowfall of 2” to 6”. Typically, snow removal begins as soon as practical after snowfall has begun and depending on the timing of the snowfall event, every effort is made to provide motorists with safe winter driving conditions prior to critical time periods. The most critical time periods are weekday morning and evening rush hours. The City will attempt to remove ice and snow from the City main collector and priority streets prior to rush hour periods. Normally, main collector and priority streets are plowed first. Once the main collector and priority areas are plowed and opened, the remaining streets in the residential areas will be plowed and ice control measures applied.
- Snowfall greater than 6”. Each plow route has a system of main collector, priority, and secondary streets that link neighborhoods, major arterials, and facilities such as schools. Depending upon the duration of any snowfall event, it may be necessary to continually clear priority streets more frequently than residential streets in order to assure public safety. Once snowfall has ceased, priority streets within each route will be cleared before snow removal begins on secondary streets. During heavy snow fall events on residential side streets, ice control measures will follow once streets are plowed. Salt is not very effective during heavy snow fall on side streets due to the low traffic volume needed to help activate the melting agents in road salt. Salt will be applied on side streets when the snowfall has slowed or stopped and when conditions exist that will make it effective or necessary.