

Marseilles Winter Weather Readiness 2024

Streets

City crews will begin applying salt to roadways when either snow or ice begins to accumulate and cause unsafe traveling conditions. The use of rock salt is the most efficient and cost-effective method of snow and ice control for small amounts of winter precipitation. The amount used is based on total accumulation, temperature and traffic conditions.

Crews begin an all-out plowing operation whenever two inches of snow have accumulated on paved services and snow is still falling.

Marseilles has established a priority plowing system. The goal is to clear all streets within 15 hours after snow stops falling; however, heavier snows often take longer to clear.

Arterial and main streets are plowed in the first phase of snow removal; residential side streets, cul-de-sacs, alleys and dead ends are cleared in the second phase. Cul-de-sacs are more difficult to clear than through streets as there is less space in parkways to dump snow without burying driveways, mailboxes, streetlights or fire hydrants.

Some roads are the responsibility of other local governments to clear.

Driveways

Residents are responsible for shoveling their driveways. City crews try to avoid putting large piles of snow in front of driveways; however, snowplows have to push the snow out of the road to allow for safe travel.

Please place snow in your yard and not in the street, as putting it in the street causes slippery conditions for both motorists and pedestrians and is against City code.

Sidewalks

Residents and/or property owners are responsible for shoveling their sidewalks, per City code. This helps keep pedestrians - including children walking to school - safe. Please also clear snow around fire hydrants to aid firefighters and around meters to aid utility meter readers. Commercial parking lots are cleared by their property owners.

Sump Pumps

For additional safety, sump pump discharges should not be run onto the sidewalk or street. Residents are responsible for maintaining the sidewalks along their property and making sure that they remain free from hazards, including freezing water from sump pump discharges.

SNOW EMERGENCIES

§ 72.25 SNOW ROUTE RESTRICTIONS.

The streets identified in [Ch. 78, Sch. III](#) Snow Routes are declared snow routes and subject to restrictions as follows:

(A) After a snowfall of two inches or more, it shall be unlawful for any person to leave parked or leave standing unattended a motor vehicle, upon any street identified by ordinance as a snow route until the street has been plowed after the completion of snow.

(B) A police officer may initiate an ordinance violation for a snow route parking violation against the owner, lessee or driver of a vehicle wrongfully parked or left unattended on a snow route in violation of the above by issuance of a parking ticket or otherwise serving a notice of ordinance violation. The fine shall be in an amount of \$200. The ticket or notice of violation shall contain a statement that the violation may be resolved without a court or administrative hearing date appearance upon payment of a pre-filing penalty paid and received by City Hall no less than five business days before the hearing date. The pre-filing penalty shall be one half of the minimum fine, being \$100.

(C) A vehicle parked or left unattended in violation of the above is declared a nuisance and may be summarily abated, without notice, by towing as authorized under § [72.40](#).

(Am. Ord. 1626, passed 1-18-16; Am. Ord. 1701, passed 2-20-19) Penalty, see § [72.99](#)

§ 97.008 REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE.

The person occupying the ground floor of any building, the user of any lot without a structure thereon, and the owner of any vacant building or other premises shall remove the snow and ice accumulating on the abutting sidewalks within 24 hours after any snowfall has ceased. If snow or ice cannot be removed, the surface shall be sanded or otherwise treated to lessen the hazard for pedestrians until the climate permits removal.

SCHEDULE III. PARKING ON SNOW ROUTES.

(A) The streets described in this schedule are hereby declared to be snow routes and parking on the streets described in this schedule is prohibited any time a snowfall of two inches or more has occurred, until the snow has been plowed off or otherwise removed.

All east-west streets
Colorado Street
Lakin Drive, east side
LaSalle Street, east side, from
US Route 6 to Morris Road
Liberty Street, east side
Madison Street, west side
Main Street
Orange Avenue
Prairie Street
Timber Edge Drive, east side