CITY OF CLIFTON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WINTER WEATHER EDUCATION

Snow Plan Section 1
SNOW PLAN

The City of Clifton D.P.W., after a critique meeting with the division’s supervisors, yearly reviews the snow plan yearly, to improve techniques and resolve experienced issues during the previous snow season.

During the winter storm season the department is vigilant and constantly monitors several weather analytical prediction—especially when a storm may be approaching our region.

Means of communications, radio, telephone, email and other emergency communication lines are re-established 24/7 with the Primarily with Police, Fire and Board of Education amongst other departments and intra county and state agencies.

Salt Brine is manufactured and stocked in early November.

Road Salt is purchased and fully stocked by mid November.

By Thanksgiving weekend, the equipment is all checked loaded and ready to be deployed as needed.
The **PRIMARY** objective during a snow storm is:

- **PRIMARY ROADS** - Roads that go from one end of the city to the other
- **SECONDARY ROADS** - Roads connecting two (2) Primary Roads
- **TERTIARY ROADS** - Roads connecting onto a secondary road
- Parking lots and other public property
First Objective

TO PROVIDE A SAFE PASSAGE UNDER EXTRAORDINARY CONDITIONS FOR:
PUBLIC SAFETY FIRST!

- Police car
- Fire Engine
- Ambulance
THESE WERE THE REPORTED COMPLAINTS FROM RESIDENT AND VISITORS REGARDING UNSATISFACTORY ROAD CLEARANCE IS EASILY CORRECTED BY:

#1 PARKING and LIMITING VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

Second

#2 RESIDENTIAL COOPERATION

* Based on critique of the 2015-2016 Snow Seasons- Review of problems
What can you do...

PARKING

- IF YOU HAVE A DRIVEWAY- Park in your driveway
- IF YOU DON’T BUT A NEIGHBOR DOES- Ask neighbor to have you park there- until plowing is done..
- IF YOU HAVE AN EXTRA PARKING SPACE IN YOUR DRIVEWAY- Accommodate one of your neighbors who does not.
**REMEMBER**

**Enforcement continues:**
Areas with posted streets home owners must obey whatever the terms of the signs are. *(Just because it snows it does not mean they are suspended)*

**Plowed after ALL the roads are cleared**
- Parking Lots-
- Sidewalks and other passive areas
When it snows park your vehicles in driveway if you have one.....

Do not park near your apron, you will get blocked in
DO NOT PARK near corners

- Considerably slows operations
- POLICE DEPARTMENT WILL SUMMON AND TOW.
- Fire Engine or Ambulances cannot make the turns in an emergency
As soon the weather becomes hazardous- we will deploy:

- **PLOWS-46**
- **SALTERS-15**
- **SIDEWALKS CREWS-2**

Coordinate activities in:

- **20 Sections of the city SALTERS**
- Police and Fire Emergency dispatches
- Utilities
- NJDOT
- County DPW

**ON AVERAGE** (2015-2016 Season)

- **Optimal conditions**
  - Salting Operations 6.75 Hours
  - Plowing Operations 8.75 Hours

- **NOT OPTIMAL conditions**
  - Salting Operations 9-10 Hours
  - Plowing Operations 12-16 Hours
By ordinance the residents have 12 hours **AFTER** it stopped snowing to clear their sidewalk and apron

RESIDENT OFTEN DO NOT ALLOW AMPLE TIME FOR US TO PLOW THE STREET TO THEN CLEAR THEIR APRON OR SIDEWALK

- This causes friction as we are on a schedule and the resident feel we have “Blocked them in”, give us time to go thru your street.

NEW JERSEY ETHICS STATUES and our INSURANCE CARRIER

Forbid us from “Just clear my apron” or “One pass and its ok”

FIRE ENGINE OR AMBULANCES CANNOT MAKE THE TURNS IN AN EMERGENCY

**DO NOT THROW SNOW ON STREET**

- The middle of the street will be packed and turn into ICE overnight- making driving and getting out of your spot even more difficult

POLICE AND CODE ENFORCEMENT WILL BE OUT TO SUMMONS VIOLATORS
FINALLY
During the weekday and during business hours, we monitor three (3) weather services stations
On weekends, holiday and after business hours - the Police and Fire Department on duty commanders advise us when road conditions are bad and we need to deploy our resources.

CONCLUSION
WINTER CONDITIONS CAN BE DANGEROUS AND PLACE MUCH STRESS ON EVERYONE. Let's all work together so we can get back to normal in a reasonable time.

THANK YOU

The Department of Public Works