

# Village of Dexter

## Winter Road Maintenance

### WINTER MAINTENANCE

Winter road maintenance is a top priority for the Village of Dexter.

The Village employs four Department of Public Works employees who are heavy equipment operators and responsible for snow plowing duties.

The Village is responsible for clearing approximately 18 miles of public roadway.

Village snow plow operations begin when the Department of Public Works receives notification from the Washtenaw County Sheriff that the roads are experiencing a build-up of snow or ice.

### ROAD PRIORITIES

Generally, snow will be removed/roads will be salted in the following priority order:

- Main Roads (Central, Baker, Main, Broad)
- Local Streets
- Alleys
- Parking Lots

### SAFETY FIRST

Exercise extreme caution during inclement weather. If you must drive, carefully monitor weather advisories, give fellow drivers extra room and slow down.

### WINTER MAINTENANCE FACTS

- ❄️ **The Village spends approximately \$120,000 per year on winter maintenance.**
- ❄️ **As temperatures fall to 10-20 degrees, the action of salt (which lowers the freezing temperature of water) takes longer to work.**
- ❄️ **Sand is used on unpaved roads and sometimes on paved roads during extremely cold temperatures, when salt is less effective. Sand may provide better traction, but it doesn't melt snow and ice.**

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

While the Village of Dexter is performing winter road maintenance there are also some things home owners and business owners can do to help the Village provide the best service possible. These include:

- ❄️ Remove vehicles from roads and public parking areas during and after winter storms. Vehicles left in the street while plowing is underway can be towed when they pose a safety concern. Parking in your driveway prevents cars from being plowed in and allows the entire roadway to be cleared.
- ❄️ Before winter starts, check your mailbox and post to ensure they are secure. If the mailbox and post

aren't secure, they will likely be damaged due to the force of the snow thrown from the snowplow. Mailboxes struck by the plow directly will be replaced. Those damaged by the weight of the snow will not.

- ❄️ Dig out fire hydrants so that they are accessible by the Fire Department at all times. Private snow removal companies should be reminded not to plow snow in front of the hydrants.
- ❄️ Remove the snow from around your mailbox and at the end of your driveway after the plow comes by.
- ❄️ Remove snow from sidewalks within 48 hours of snow cessation in residential areas and within 4 hours of snow cessation or the start of business in commercial areas.
- ❄️ Keep all snow removed from sidewalks and driveways on your property. Snow should not be plowed or shoveled onto surrounding properties, common areas, or into the street.

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