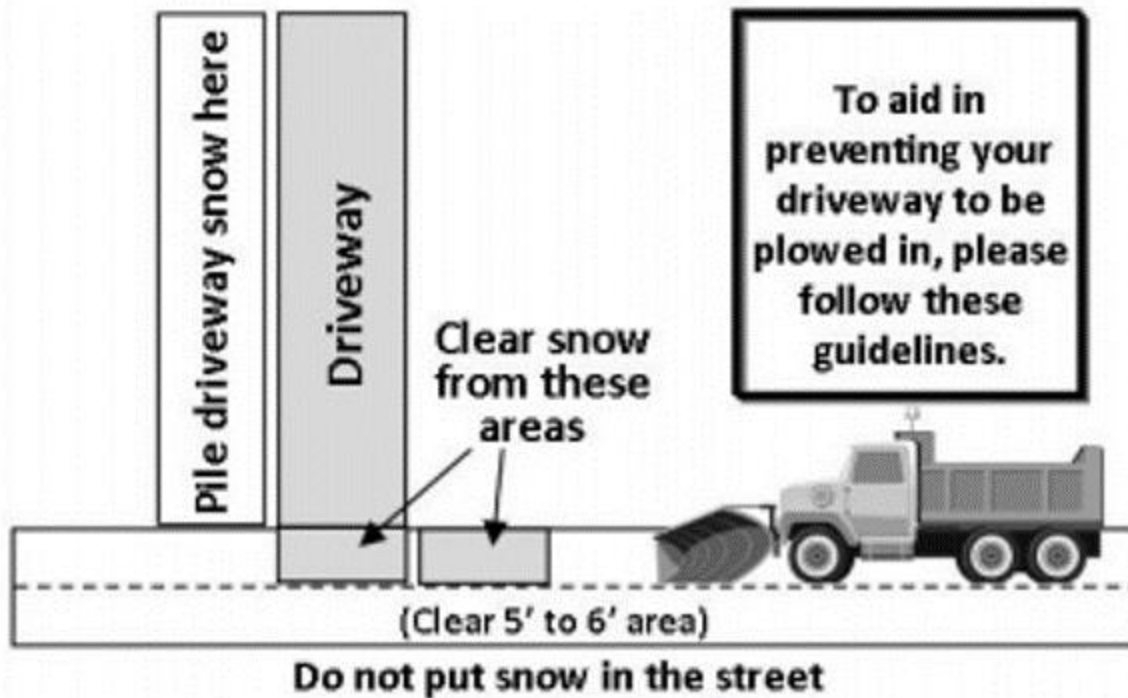


Residents,

A snow emergency will be declared beginning at 7pm on Tuesday March 7th and lasting until 11pm on Wednesday March 8th. The snow emergency **requires all vehicles to be removed from parking on all township roadways** to allow for more efficient and safe plowing and snow removal. The forecast is predicting snowfall amounts between 7 to 13 inches for our area. A few reminders relating to winter weather **(PLEASE READ THEM ALL):**

- **Communication.** A CodeRed Message will be issued today announcing the snow emergency and reminders to all Residents signed up for Emergency Notifications. Also monitor the Township facebook page for updates. During a significant storm it will be difficult for the Township to answer questions such as “when will the plows be in my area” so please we ask for your patience.
- **Trash Collection Delayed.** Township Trash & Recycling will be moved to Saturday March 10, 2017. Please place both Trash & Recycling out for Saturday March 10, 2017.
- **Plowing Plan.** Plow crews will be ready prior to the storm beginning this evening. Pre-Treatment of high elevation roads including intersection is taking place today. Plowing and treating of all roadways will commence once we begin to see accumulation but remember even with treatment, roadways can still be hazardous especially during the height of the storm so stay safe and travel only if necessary
- **Plow Vehicles.** If you encounter one of our plow vehicles on the road remember to maintain a safe following distance.
- **Be Reasonable!** I realize people may get angry with our crews for plowing in a driveway shut or a car but please realize we have 6 staff members doing 58+ miles of roads and they’ll be working from 7pm Tuesday until the job is done which most likely won’t be until into Thursday morning. None of them have a personal mission to make your life more difficult, with heavy snow especially no matter how slow they drive your driveway opening may get plowed back in.
- **Driveway Tips.** To aid in reducing the impact of your driveway being plowed shut (1) Wait until plows come through a few times. (2) Then clear snow 5’ to 6’ from the areas before and in front of your driveway.



- **Shoveling/Snow Blowing into Street: DON'T DO IT!** Do not put snow in the street. If our crews are working to remove snow from the roadways and you throw it back on them it creates more work and a potential hazard.
- **Sidewalks.** Clear your sidewalks of snow within 48 hours following the storm per Township Ordinance 249.
- **Mailbox/Property Damage.** The Township has a policy in place to replace mailboxes that were damaged by our plows. No matter how slow the vehicles drive, with a wet/heavy snow some mailboxes will be knocked over/damaged during plowing. If you have damage to a mailbox you can download the form by clicking [here](#). Fill the form out and bring it/mail it to the Township and we will make sure you are reimbursed for the replacement of your mailbox.

We appreciate the support of our Residents and as always I can assure you our Township staff members will be working hard to make sure our roadways are plowed and treated throughout the duration of the storm. Again, please use caution tomorrow and allow our crews to work by helping in following the above winter tips.

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