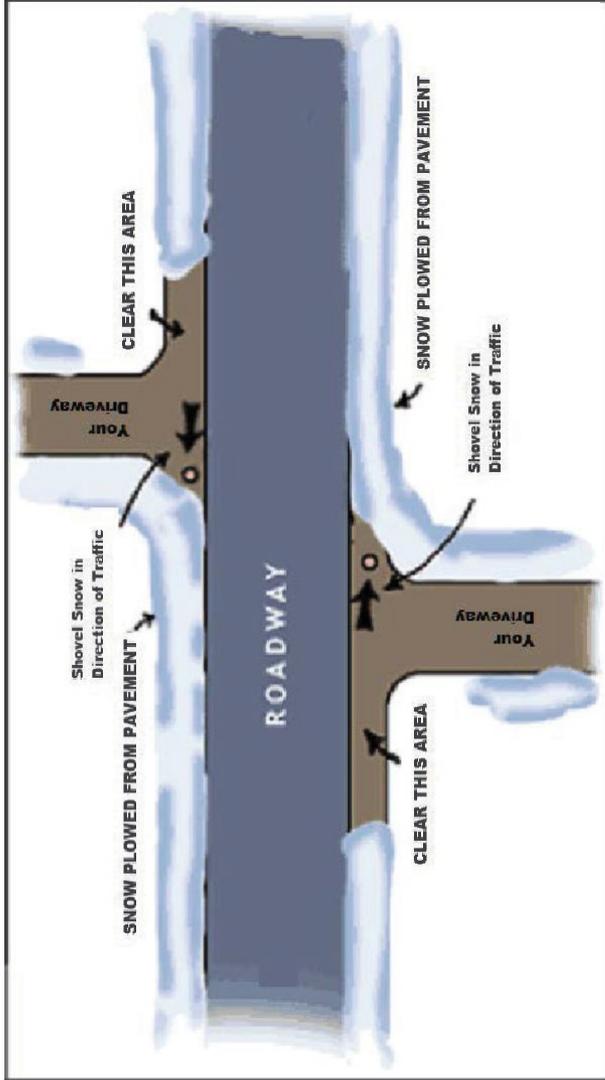


Avoid the “Second Shovel”

CITY OF NEWTON STREETS DIVISION

People can play a part in ensuring that the end of their driveway remains clear of snow, even after a snowplow comes through. Shoveling a “corner” of the right-of-way free of snow in the area several feet before the driveway will help keep that same snow from being pushed into the driveway in an icy, heavy pile. Clearing an area large enough to hold the snow coming off the plow may help reduce the “second shovel.”



Winter Weather Information

Department of Public Works
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459
(617) 796-1000
www.newtonma.gov

Customer Service at City Hall
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Monday-Friday: 8:30 am -5:00 pm
newtonma.gov

Get Connected



Stay up to date on weather related trash and recycling collection delays by downloading **Recycle Right Newton**. Available for Android and Apple devices.



Ask questions, report problems, and make requests by dialing 617-796-1000 or download the Newton MA 311 app for Apple and Android.



Follow [@DPWNNewton](https://twitter.com/DPWNNewton) for up-to-date information from the City of Newton Department of Public Works.

DPW's Role



Newton DPW is responsible for:

Clearing more than 320 miles of roadways, 84 miles of sidewalks, 43 city-owned buildings (including 21 school sites), 15 city-owned public parking lots, 22 bridges, areas adjacent to 70+ school bus stops, 35 MBTA bus stops, 10 T-Stops, and three commuter rail stops.

Please Help Us By:

- Keeping a distance of 100' behind all plow vehicles.
- Shoveling out fire hydrants, catch basins, ramps, and corners on your street.
- Checking on neighbors or other residents who may be in need.
- Not parking within **20 feet** of an intersection or further than **1 foot** from the curb.
- Not overhanging the sidewalk or street when your car is parked in a driveway.
- Taking extra precautions near school bus stops where children may be waiting.

Thank you for your assistance.

Trash & Recycling Collection

Trash and recycling collection service may be impacted due to road conditions during and after a storm. In the event trash and recycling collection is cancelled, check the City's website at newtonma.gov and/or download the Recycle Right Newton mobile app.

Make trash and recycling accessible by clearing an area at the curb or placing carts next to snowbanks. Make sure to leave a 1' space on either side of the carts for automated pick-up. Avoid leaving carts in the street, especially during snow clearing operations.

Snow Removal Fines

To ensure the safe passage of pedestrians throughout the city, the City of Newton requires all property owners or occupants of a building to maintain all **paved** and **concrete** sidewalks and curb ramps abutting their property or business in a non-slippery condition free of ice and snow.

Residential: Within 24 hours of snow ending, sidewalks must be cleared to create a path of at least 36" to meet accessibility requirements.

Annual exemptions from the sidewalk clearing requirement are available for residents who upon written petition demonstrate hardship due to a combination of health and financial duress, or religious circumstances. Please contact the Department of Senior Services at 617-796-1660.

Commercial: Within 12 hours of snow ending, sidewalks must be cleared completely.

Fines: Property owners can be issued fines for violation of this requirement. Fines can be issued each day until the violation is addressed.

Residential properties:

- 1st Offense received in a snow season between Oct. 1 and the following April 15 - written warning
- 2nd and subsequent offenses received in a snow season - \$50

Commercial, institutional, or residential properties with more than four dwelling units:

- 1st Offense - \$100
- 2nd Offense - \$200
- 3rd and subsequent offenses in a calendar year - \$300

See City Ordinances sections 26-8, 26-8(d) and 17-3 at newtonma.gov for details.

Winter Restrictions

Annual Overnight Parking Ban

Dates/Times: 12/1 through 3/31, 2 am – 6 am

It is unlawful for any vehicle to be parked on any street, way, highway, road, parkway or private way dedicated or open to the use of the public for longer than one hour. Violators will be towed and subject to a \$ 25.00 fine.

During the winter months, permit parking is available in municipal lots except during snow emergencies. Permits may be obtained through the Newton Police Department.

Parking regulations are strictly enforced during snow emergencies. Violators are subject to ticketing and towing.

Other Restrictions

No person shall place snow or ice upon a street, sidewalk or bridge, except that snow or ice removed from a sidewalk may be piled on the loam border between the sidewalk and the street.

The owner or occupant of property shall be responsible for promptly removing snow placed on the public way adjoining the owner's property as a result of clearing snow from the driveway or sidewalk of the owner. "Clearing snow" includes plowing, shoveling, sweeping and any other similar means of removing snow from the driveway or sidewalk.

Fines for placing or permitting snow or ice on a public way (street, sidewalk or bridge)

First offense in calendar year \$100.00

Second offense in calendar year \$200.00

Third offense and subsequent offenses in calendar year \$300.00