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Executive Summary and Introduction

This is a compilation of what Soles and Spokes found in searching the World-Wide Web for snow removal programs and ordinances among northeastern Illinois municipalities. Four on-line ordinance codifiers were searched for codified ordinances in northeastern Illinois (Sterling Codifiers, American Legal Publishing Online Library, Municipal Code Corporation, and Lexis Nexis). In addition, official municipal Web sites listed in the CATS Municipal Directory were searched. Overall, web sites and/or online codes were found for 197 of the 272 municipalities in northeastern Illinois.

This information was compiled in support of the development of Soles and Spokes: The Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan for Chicago Area Transportation (Soles and Spokes Plan). Information here is summarized in the Existing Conditions and Regional Trends document; that summary follows. However, the information here was thought valuable enough to share regionally so that municipalities could see how other municipalities regulate and provide service in sidewalk snow removal and ice control.

Several pieces of legislation may relate to removal from public sidewalks. The Illinois Compiled Statutes also include the “Snow and Ice Removal Act” that limits liability for residential snow removal (this law is included in the Appendix to this compilation). The Americans with Disabilities Act may also impact municipal responsibilities in limited ways (see the Department of Justice correspondence also attached in the Appendix). Other laws and court decisions also apply.

This document is for information and policy planning only. This does not constitute legal advice. As always, consult an attorney knowledgeable about this area of law to obtain legal advice regarding duties related to these regulations, statutes, and case law.
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**Snow and Ice as a Barrier for Pedestrians**

Snow and ice can act as a barrier to pedestrian travel, especially for the elderly and disabled. While a survey of sidewalk conditions after snowstorms was beyond the scope of this report, *Soles and Spokes* tried to determine the extent of municipal efforts to clear sidewalks after storms so they can be used by all travelers. To do this, *Soles and Spokes* looked up Web information for sidewalk snow removal. Web pages were found for municipalities representing about 7,069,000 northeastern Illinois residents. These Web pages sometimes included or consisted of municipalities’ codified ordinances.

Reviewing the municipalities’ information, several different types of programs or policies were discerned. Some municipalities say nothing about snow removal from sidewalks. Others include language on their Web site or posted newsletters encouraging snow removal, often appealing to people to remember students. Some municipalities operate matching services linking people unable to shovel their sidewalks with volunteers or those willing to shovel for a fee.

Many municipalities regulate sidewalk snow removal. A large number of municipalities prohibit dumping snow on the sidewalk in the course of removing snow from driveways, parking lots, etc.; some of these municipalities limit the prohibition to commercial establishments. A substantial number of communities also require the owners and/or occupants of property to remove snow from public sidewalks abutting the premises; a few of these regulations are limited only to commercial establishments.

Some municipalities operate their own public sidewalk snow removal operations. These operations vary from limited operations covering only business districts to village-wide sidewalk snow removal programs. Most of the village-wide or wide-spread sidewalk snow removal programs go into effect after substantial snowfalls, often 3 or 4 inches of snow.

A summary of the population of northeastern Illinois represented by these different regulations or programs is presented in Table 33. This table shows mechanisms are in place to ameliorate sidewalk snow and ice for a substantial part of the population. Enforcement of the regulations cannot be evaluated, but the presence of the regulations and programs indicate a concern about the issue among a number of municipal policy-makers. However, it appears that some communities have not developed any regulation or program to ensure the investment in sidewalk infrastructure pays off year-round.
### Table 33

**Number of Residents Living in Municipalities with Sidewalk Snow Removal Information Posted on a Municipal Web Site, Northeastern Illinois, Winter, 2004.**

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<td>Regulation requiring commercial establishments or multi-family dwelling to clear snow from public sidewalks abutting property</td>
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<td>Regulation requiring all property owners or occupants to clear snow from public sidewalks abutting property</td>
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<td>Municipal government service to clear snow from public sidewalks in limited areas (usually commercial districts or by request from registered elderly/disabled residents).</td>
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<td>Municipal government service to clear snow from public sidewalks in widespread areas of municipality</td>
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Prepared by the Chicago Area Transportation Study, February, 2004. Source: Various Web sites, 2000 Census of Population and Housing. Note: Some communities may have more than one program; thus, some populations were counted twice.
## Web-Based Compilation of Northeastern Illinois Sidewalk Snow and Ice Control Policies and Programs, Sorted by Municipality, Winter 2003-2004

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<td>It is illegal to shovel or plow snow or ice against a fire hydrant or regulatory sign, or onto the sidewalk or street. Apartment or multi-unit residence owners are responsible for clearing off-street parking spaces and parking lots within 12 hours after a four-inch snowfall. Violators are subject to fine. Although there is no ordinance requiring it, residents will not only assist police and fire personnel but can be of service to themselves by clearing snow away from nearby fire hydrants to allow quick location and access to the hydrant in the event of a fire, and by clearing snow off of house numbers and mailboxes so that addresses are visible in the event of an emergency. <a href="http://www.addisonadvantage.org/snow_routes.htm">http://www.addisonadvantage.org/snow_routes.htm</a></td>
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| Arlington Heights| In addition to clearing the streets and parking areas, an additional crew is called in each time it snows to clear eight miles of sidewalks around public parking lots, around areas leading to the downtown train station, around Village owned buildings, around the PACE bus stop shelters, and on some school routes.  
  ...  
  Although not required by Ordinance, residents are encouraged to be good neighbors by clearing snow from the sidewalks adjacent to their homes.  
  http://www.vah.com/services/winter_information.PDF |                 |               |                      |                        |                      |                          |                          |
| Aurora           | 4Q. Who clears sidewalks and driveways?  
  4A. Both are the responsibility of residents and property owners. The City appeals to citizens to keep this critical part of Aurora's transportation system moving by clearing sidewalks, especially for children walking to and from school. State law protects property owners from any added liability if they shovel their sidewalks. Residents should shovel snow into the yard, not into the street. Shoveling snow onto the street is against City ordinance because it causes dangerously slippery conditions for both motorists and pedestrians. City crews try to avoid putting large piles of snow in front of driveways, however, this is not always possible. To avoid having to double shovel, you may want to wait until after your street has been plowed to the curb before you clear your driveway.  
  http://www.ci.aurora.il.us/publicproperties/streetmaint.html#who | X               |               |                      |                        |                      |                          |                          |
| Barrington       | Sidewalk Maintenance:  
  You should make sure that students, commuters, joggers, shoppers and other pedestrians can use the sidewalks safely by removing snow, ice and leaves from the sidewalks adjacent to your property. Also, please remove snow, ice and leaves from fire hydrants near your property.  
  http://www.ci.barrington.il.us/resg0.htm | X               |               |                      |                        |                      |                          |                          |
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| Bartlett      | **Be A Snow Angel**  
The Village clears the snow from sidewalks surrounding public buildings, the commuter areas it maintains, and the crosswalks surrounding local schools. The Village does not clear the snow on neighborhood sidewalks.  
Please be a snow angel and shovel your sidewalk, especially if you live on a highly traveled street or near a school, so that children and other pedestrians in your neighborhood can walk with greater ease. Also please clear snow from around fire hydrants and storm sewers. [http://www.village.bartlett.il.us/newsletter.html](http://www.village.bartlett.il.us/newsletter.html)  
No information (codes) [http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Bartlett/index.htm](http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Bartlett/index.htm)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | X               |                |                      |                        |                          |                         |                           | X                        |
<p>| Batavia       | <strong>We Need Your Help:</strong> Clearing snow and ice from sidewalks &amp; driveways is the responsibility of the residents and property owners. The City Of Batavia appeals to the citizens to clear sidewalks, especially for children walking to school. You should be advised of the Good Samaritan Law, which prevents people being sued for performing an act or service with the intent of helping people. <a href="http://www.cityofbatavia.net/">http://www.cityofbatavia.net/</a> <a href="http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Batavia/index.htm">http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Batavia/index.htm</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | X               |                |                      |                        |                          |                         |                           |                          |</p>
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| Bellwood:    | **Community Service Department**  
The Community Service Department supports the Village in a variety different areas with a focus on human betterment and community improvement. Department employees are assigned various responsibilities that may include grass cutting, leaf removal and snow shoveling for senior citizens. In addition, the department oversees grass cutting at vacant houses, vacant businesses and along the Prairie Path. [http://www.vil.bellwood.il.us/html/commservwindow.htm](http://www.vil.bellwood.il.us/html/commservwindow.htm)  

**§ 99.016 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL.**  
(A) Every owner, lessee, tenant, occupant or other person having charge of any building or lot of ground in the village, with the exception of single family residences as defined in the zoning code set forth in Chapter 156, abutting upon any public way or public place shall remove the snow and ice from the sidewalk in front of such building or lot of ground.  
(B) If the sidewalk is of greater width than five feet, it shall not be necessary for such person to remove snow and ice from the same for a space wider than five feet.  
(C) In case the snow and ice on the sidewalk shall be frozen so hard that it cannot be removed without injury to the pavement, the person having charge of any building or lot of ground as aforesaid shall, within the time specified, cause the sidewalk abutting on the premises to be strewn with ashes, sand, sawdust or some similar suitable material and shall, as soon thereafter as the weather shall permit, thoroughly clean the sidewalk.  
(D) The snow which falls or accumulates during the day (excepting Sundays) before 4:00 p.m. shall be removed within three hours after the same has fallen or accumulated. The snow which falls or accumulates on Sunday or after 4:00 p.m. and during the night on other days shall be removed before 10:00 a.m. | No information | Encouragement | Volunteer/Paid Match | No Dumping on Sidewalk | Encompassing Clear Reg | Municipal Program – limited | X | X |
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(E) Any person who removes snow or ice from the public sidewalk or street shall not, as a result of his or her acts or omissions in such removal, be liable for civil damages. This section does not apply to acts or omissions amounting to willful or wanton misconduct in such snow or ice removal.

(C) Any person violating any of the provisions of this section, where no other penalty is specifically provided, shall be fined not more than $50.

(Ord. 2001-01, passed 1-10-01)


**Bensenville**


**Berkeley**

- No information [http://www.berkeley.bobnovak.net/berkhome.htm](http://www.berkeley.bobnovak.net/berkhome.htm) X

**Berwyn:**

**672.03 DEPOSITING SNOW ON STREETS OR SIDEWALKS.**

After snow amounting to three inches or more has fallen, no person, except a person employed by the City and engaged in snow removal operations therefor, shall shovel, dump, plow, cast, throw, drop, place, sweep or deposit any snow, ice or slush on any portion of a street, sidewalk, alley or public place or on any fire hydrants [http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/Illinois/Berwyn/part00066.htm/chapter00078.htm?f=templates$fn=altmain-nf.htm$3.0#JD_672.03](http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/Illinois/Berwyn/part00066.htm/chapter00078.htm?f=templates$fn=altmain-nf.htm$3.0#JD_672.03)

**Bloomingdale:**

- No information [http://www.vil.bloomingdale.il.us/](http://www.vil.bloomingdale.il.us/) X

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(Prior code § 36-19) [http://livepublish.municode.com/10/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-hit-j.htm&2.0](http://livepublish.municode.com/10/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-hit-j.htm&2.0)
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<td>(c) Deposits on streets and sidewalks. No commercial or multifamily residential establishment shall deposit upon the property of any adjoining property owners or any public sidewalks any snow removed from its parking lots or adjacent property. In addition, no individual shall deposit snow in excess of three feet in height within 20 feet in any direction of the apex of any corner of an intersection. Further, no person shall pile or deposit snow within three feet in any direction of any fire hydrant. <a href="http://livepublish.municode.com/10/lpext.dll?f=templates&amp;fn=main-hit-j.htm&amp;2.0">http://livepublish.municode.com/10/lpext.dll?f=templates&amp;fn=main-hit-j.htm&amp;2.0</a> <a href="http://www.chicagoridge.org/default.htm">http://www.chicagoridge.org/default.htm</a></td>
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<td>Sec. 82-102. Sidewalks to be maintained in good order and to be free of obstructions, etc. Every person using a sidewalk located on or adjacent to his or her property in this town shall, at all times, keep such sidewalk in good condition and clear and free from all snow, ice, dirt, filth, or other obstructions or encumbrances. All persons seeking to block or place obstructions upon the public way must first apply for the permits and post a bond in order to do so, in accordance with other provisions of this chapter. All such repairing and cleaning shall be done in accordance with the regulations of the board of trustees. (Rev. Ord. of 4-9-1917, ch. 48, art. III, § 1770; Code 1958, § 32-62.1; Ord. No. 63-01, 4-11-2001) <a href="http://livepublish.municode.com/2/lpext.dll?f=templates&amp;fn=main-hit-j.htm&amp;2.0">http://livepublish.municode.com/2/lpext.dll?f=templates&amp;fn=main-hit-j.htm&amp;2.0</a></td>
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| Darien       | Obstructing Snow Removal: No person shall remove or cause to be removed, any snow and/or ice from any private property and deposit the same upon any public street or sidewalk. (Ord. 0-44-01, 11-19-2001)  
[http://darien.il.us](http://darien.il.us) |               |               |                      |                      |             | X                        |                           |
| Deerfield    | (d) No person shall shovel, plow or otherwise place snow or cause or permit the shoveling, plowing, or placing of snow, from a private driveway, parking lot, or other private property upon any highway, street or sidewalk so as to hinder, obstruct, impede or otherwise interfere in any way with the movement of traffic upon said street, highway, or sidewalk.  
If said snow is not immediately moved or removed by the owner, occupant or agent so placing it on the street, highway or sidewalk after being advised by an authorized official or police officer to do so, then the Village may charge the same with any expenses which may be incurred by the Village in the removal thereof. Such expenses shall be collected by the Village in addition to a fine or penalty as set forth in the Municipal Code of the Village of Deerfield, as amended. (Ord. No. 0-79-18, 4-2-79)  
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<td><strong>Can the Village arrange for someone to remove snow from my sidewalk and driveway?</strong> Residents who need assistance with removing snow from sidewalks or driveways are invited to call the Community Services office at 357-4120 for a list of Youth Employment Service Workers who are able to provide this service. Residents may call any young person on the list and determine the day, time and amount of pay ... Residents are asked to clear the sidewalks in front of their homes. This enables pedestrians and school children to not have to walk in the street to destinations. <a href="http://www.elk-grove-village.il.us/pubworks/sp.htm">http://www.elk-grove-village.il.us/pubworks/sp.htm</a></td>
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<td>Sec. 45-10. Removal of snow and ice from sidewalks. Every owner, tenant, lessee, occupant or other person having charge of any building or lot of ground abutting upon any street, avenue or public place in the village shall remove the snow and ice from the sidewalk in front of such building or lot of ground within three hours after the same has fallen; provided, that if such snow falls or accumulates after 4:00 P.M. or on Sundays, it shall be removed before 10:00 A.M. on the following day. (Code 1943, § 906.01.) (Code Only) <a href="http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/ElmwoodPark/index.htm">http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/ElmwoodPark/index.htm</a></td>
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<td>(A) Sidewalks: Every owner or occupant of any dwelling house or other building, or proprietor or lessee of any enclosed lot or premises, within the City shall, during winter months, whenever there is a snowfall with an accumulation of four inches (4&quot;) or more and within twenty four (24) hours of said four inch (4&quot;) accumulation, clear the sidewalks in front of or adjoining such house, building or premises of snow or ice in order to give access to abutting property and public ways, and keep the same conveniently free therefrom; or shall, in case the snow and ice are so congealed as not to be removed without difficulty or injury to the pavement, spread the same with sand or salt. Every such owner or occupant shall also, at all times, keep such sidewalks clear and free from all obstructions so as to allow pedestrians the safe and unobstructed use of the same. (Ord. 9-0-80) Any person who removes snow or ice from the public sidewalk or street shall not, as a result of his acts or omissions in such removal, be liable for civil damages. This paragraph does not apply to acts or omissions amounting to wilful or wanton misconduct in such snow or ice removal. (Ord. 6-0-79) (<a href="http://66.113.195.234/IL/Evanston/index.htm">http://66.113.195.234/IL/Evanston/index.htm</a>)</td>
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<td><strong>Snow Removal</strong>&lt;br&gt;The Public Property department is responsible for sidewalks. Generally, a single pass through the alleys will be done as soon as all the streets have been plowed. Likewise, the department will make a single pass down all sidewalks as soon after snowfall practical. <a href="http://www.forestpark.net/pub_prop_snowremoval.html">http://www.forestpark.net/pub_prop_snowremoval.html</a></td>
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<td>B. It shall be unlawful for any individual or business, while snowplowing or shoveling their sidewalks, driveways or another's sidewalk or driveway within the corporate limits of the village, to push, place or shovel snow on or across any street or sidewalk within the village. (Ord. 85-36, 11-4-1985) (Codes only) <a href="http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Fox%20Lake/index.htm">http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Fox%20Lake/index.htm</a></td>
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| Fox River Grove| **Secs. 18-18. Deposit of snow on streets and sidewalks prohibited.**  
(a) No person, who removes or causes to be removed, snow or ice from any building, parking lot, driveway, driveway apron, driveway approach, other private property or a public sidewalk shall sweep, blow, plow, shovel, scrap, drag or in any other manner move or deposit such snow or ice in a manner that either (i) decreases the driveable width of any public street or public alley; (ii) blocks the vision of motorists at any intersection of two or more public streets or any intersection of a public street and alley; (iii) prevents the parking of motor vehicles along the curb of a public street; (iv) covers any fire hydrant or otherwise interferes with the use of any fire hydrant; (v) blocks any public sidewalk or public driveway; (vi) damages any tree, sod or other public improvement located within a public right-of-way; or (vii) otherwise creates a traffic hazard or destroys a public property.  
**Sec. 18-19. Removal of snow and ice from sidewalks in business areas.**  
Each owner of property within a B-1 “Retail / Service District”, B-2 “General Business District,” B-4 “Community Shopping Center”, or B-5 “Light Assembly – Marinas” zoning district as shown on the Village of Fox River Grove’s most recent zoning map, shall, within twenty-four (24) hours after a snow fall or freezing precipitation, remove, or cause to be removed, from any sidewalks abutting the owner’s property, all snow and ice which has accumulated on the sidewalk or, if the snow and ice on a sidewalk are too hard for removal, to cover them, or cause them to be covered, with abrasive materials. (Ord. No. 00-13, Sec. 1, 2-17-00) [http://www.foxrivergrove.org/](http://www.foxrivergrove.org/) | X              | X            |                    |                        |                   |                      |                          |                            |
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<td>B. No person shall deposit or cause to be deposited on any public thoroughfare including, but not limited to, streets, alleys and sidewalks, any snow accumulation which might in any way obstruct, hinder, render unsafe or create a nuisance to the orderly use of said public thoroughfare. (Ord. 9495 VC 21, §2) (Codes Only)</td>
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<td>Residents and contractors are prohibited from the deposition of any snow or ice from private property on or against a fire hydrant, or on any public sidewalk, public roadway, or loading or unloading areas of a public transportation system. Property owners should notify their snow removal contractors of this requirement and require compliance.</td>
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<td>Sidewalk Snow Removal and Downtown Business District Sidewalk snow plowing commences when two or more inches have accumulated in the residential districts. The Village’s snow removal in the downtown business district is a priority at all corner crosswalks. The Village will clear a primary path on the downtown sidewalks, and look to property owners in the downtown to assist in clearing the public sidewalk adjacent to their building. The Public Works Department knows how important it is for Glencoe’s residents, businesses and those who visit our community to be able to navigate our streets and sidewalks. They work very hard each year to ensure safe and effective snow and ice control. Should you have questions regarding the program, please contact the Public Works Department at 835-4111.</td>
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Gurnee

**WHEN ARE SIDEWALKS CLEARED?**

Historically, we have attempted to clean sidewalks within the Village Center area and along major routes such as Route 132, Route 21, and O'Plaine Road. These walks are typically done the day after a snow event. In order for us to accomplish this task, we use two pieces of equipment and it generally takes three days to clear these designated areas.

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One major problem that works against snow removal operations is people shoveling or blowing snow back onto the street after it has been plowed and salted. Village ordinance prohibits placing snow back onto the roadway once it has been plowed. Snow that has been deposited onto the street could refreeze and cause a hazardous condition for you or your neighbors. Please place the snow that you shovel off of your driveway and sidewalk onto the adjacent parkway and not back onto the street.

[http://www.gurnee.il.us/public_works/snow_plowing.html](http://www.gurnee.il.us/public_works/snow_plowing.html)


Hanover Park

A Village ordinance requires sidewalks to be cleared of snow within 24 hours of a two-inch or more snowfall. This allows safe access for pedestrians.

[http://www.hanoverparkillinois.org/Services/PublicWorks/SnowRemoval.htm#Sidewalks](http://www.hanoverparkillinois.org/Services/PublicWorks/SnowRemoval.htm#Sidewalks)


Hawthorn Woods

No information [http://www.lzarea.org/hawthorn/](http://www.lzarea.org/hawthorn/)

Hazel Crest: No information [http://www.villageofhazelcrest.com](http://www.villageofhazelcrest.com)

**SIDEWALK PLOWING PROCEDURES**

**GENERAL**

In order to facilitate pedestrian travel following snowstorms, the Department has developed four sidewalk snowplowing routes covering approximately 60 lineal miles of sidewalks. These sidewalks have been selected based upon the following criteria:

**PLOWING ONLY**
1. Sidewalks leading to schools where a minimum of ten elementary school children (grades K through 5 for District 112) might walk.
2. Commercial area sidewalks in the Central Business District and Ravinia Business District.
3. Other sidewalks in front of City-owned property including City buildings, parking lots, and Ravinia Train Station.
4. Sidewalks on one side of the street, within a one-half mile radius of each of the train stations.

**PLOWING /HAND SHOVELING AND SALTING**
1. Streetscape sidewalks – only plow with trackless. Private contractor clears the sidewalks fully.
2. Streetscape curb cuts – hand shoveling.
5. Central Station – walks, stairs and all approaches.
6. Ravinia Station – walks, stairs, platforms and all approaches.

In general, the above tasks are focused on the high pedestrian volume sidewalks. Areas or other sidewalks that are **not** plowed by the City are the responsibility of the abutting property owners or merchants.

Salt will routinely be applied after shoveling, if icy sidewalk sections of City Properties are identified, additional salt will be applied. The application of salt is intended to improve the area but does not ensure “bare” sidewalks.

**OPERATIONS**

**SCHOOL PLOWING AND CBD ROUTES**

**CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK**

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**ICE AND SNOW CONTROL MANUAL 2002 – 2003**

These routes are designated for snow plowing only; no salting or other ice control measures are undertaken on these five routes. It must be noted that the sidewalk snowplows can not remove the snow to bare pavement. Often an inch of snow will remain after plowing is completed. The
School Sidewalk Routes are shown in Appendix “i” and the CBD Trackless Plow Route is shown in Appendix “j”.

STREETScape Sidewalks
The sidewalks in the CBD from Green Bay Road to Sheridan Road will receive the same level of attention as other business sidewalks, wherein the trackless (with rubber blade) will make a path about four feet wide parallel to the streets. The City’s sidewalk contractor will shovel curb cuts along each block. The merchants are expected to provide any additional snow removal effort. The City will attempt to keep these sidewalk corners at the intersections clear of snow and slush by spreading deicer compounds (“Safe-Step” in areas where there are brick pavers and rock salt on the concrete sidewalks).

Commuter Access
Within one-half mile of each train station, sidewalks will be plowed for commuter traffic. The City sidewalks in the vicinity of the Fort Sheridan train station area are included in this plowing plan.

City Properties
The sidewalk adjacent to the City-owned buildings and parking lots will be cleared and salted.

Special Areas
These areas include crosswalks in the commercial areas, handicapped ramps, train station steps at the Central and Braeside Stations (but not platforms), as well as Ravinia Station including the train platform, etc., will be hand-shoveled and salted.

A private contractor, under contract will perform hand shoveling with the City for the CBD sidewalk intersection corners, City properties and other special areas identified in Appendix “k”.

Call Out
The Duty Foreman initiates the sidewalk snow and ice control activities. A Public Works Department employee will inspect the sidewalk shoveling contractor’s work. Salting on City properties will usually be completed by 7:00 a.m.

The plowing of the sidewalk routes will be initiated when snowfall is projected to exceed three inches (3”) in depth. The School Plowing and CBD Routes should be completed by 8:00 a.m. each morning depending upon the end of the snowstorm.

City of Highland Park
Reporting
The Duty Foreman will record the starting time of the initiation of each route and the time of completion. The sidewalk contractor will submit a summary of work performed at the conclusion of each event and this will detail work performed each day of the shoveling event. 

(http://www.cityhpil.com/pdf/pw-snowicemanual.pdf)
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|             | Free Snow Plowing
|             | You supply the snow, driveways and sidewalks; the Village of Hillside will supply the personnel to clean them free of charge. Hillside is one of the few villages that offer free snow removal for its senior citizens. The following requirements must be met before the Village will clean your walks and driveways:
|             | - A person must be over the 60 years old and live in a single residence home. Private contractors clear the snow for multi-family units.
|             | - There can be no able-bodied persons residing in the household under the age of 60.
|             | - There must be a minimum of 2” of snow and all streets must be cleared first.
|             | - Plowing is only done during normal village business hours.
|             | You can register for Hillside’s Snow Removal Program by calling the Public Works Department at 708-547-5540. [link](http://hillside-il.org/?category=departments&subcategory=seniorservices&page=104) |

| Hinsdale | No information [link](http://www.villageofhinsdale.org/)
|          | [link](http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Hinsdale/index.htm) |

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|                      | A: Sidewalks are the responsibility of the adjoining property owner to be kept clear of ice and snow. Please remember, do not deposit the snow or ice onto the roads as this creates a safety hazard as well as slowing of efforts to clear streets. **This is a ticketable offense**
http://www.lith.org/info_faqs.html#Clear%20sidewalks |                |               |                      |                       |                          |                           |                           |                             |                             |
| Lake Villa           | No information http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Lake%20Villa/index.htm            | X              |               |                      |                       |                          |                          |                             |                             |
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| Lake Zurich          | No information http://www.volz.org/PublicWorksDept/general.asp#snow                  |                |               |                      |                       |                          |                          |                             |                             |
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| Lemont:              | No information http://www.lemont.il.us                                                |                |               |                      |                       |                          |                          |                             |                             |
| Libertyville         | Sec. 21-3. Snow, leaves, landscape or other waste.
It shall be unlawful to throw, push or remove snow, leaves, landscape or other waste from any private property so as to cast, place or deposit such waste upon the right-of-way of any state or county highway or upon the right-of-way of any public street that is within one hundred (100) feet of any intersection of streets, or upon that part of any public street between the two (2) curbs of the street where curbs exist, or upon the regularly traveled part of any public street within the village where curbs do no exist, or upon any public sidewalk of any public street.
http://livepublish.municode.com/LivePublish/newonlinecodes.asp?infobase=12585

Sidewalks are cleared along part of Milwaukee Avenue and around the central business district area. In all other areas, the Village requests that citizens and proprietors perform this safety service. Please note that residents who clear their public sidewalks cannot be held liable for injuries that may take place due to snowy or icy sidewalk conditions.
http://www.libertyville.com/ | X                           | X              |                           |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| Lincolnshire         | No information http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us                                 |                |               |                      |                       |                          |                          |                             |                             |

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Montgomery: | Clearing snow from sidewalks in front of your home is a gesture welcomed by all your neighbors. Doing so will allow them to use the sidewalks instead of the streets and make it safer for children walking to and from school. For those with fire hydrants in front of their homes, clearing snow away from the hydrant can greatly assist emergency operations. ([http://ci.montgomery.il.us/street3.htm](http://ci.montgomery.il.us/street3.htm)) |  |  | X |  |  |  |  | 
  | Sec. 6-107. Exceptions.  
(a) No person shall be held liable for any obstruction of any fire hydrant, right-of-way, street or sidewalk where such obstruction occurs as a result of the natural accumulation of snow, except where such natural accumulation is aggravated by any snow removal.  
Sec. 6-103. Deposit not to obstruct right-of-way, street or sidewalk.  
It is unlawful for any person to artificially deposit any snow so as to obstruct a street or sidewalk within the village. Such artificial depositing includes snow removal so as to prevent pedestrians or vehicles from being able to pass any such right-of-way, street or sidewalk, or the removal of snow so as to block the vision of any person attempting to traverse any intersection of any street, sidewalk, or driveway. ([Ord. No. 1060, § 1, 7-28-03](http://livepublish.municode.com/LivePublish/newonlinecodes.asp?infobase=11273)) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  
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| **Naperville** | **Who clears sidewalks and driveways?**
Both are the responsibility of residents and property owners. The City appeals to citizens to clear sidewalks, especially for children walking to school. State law protects property owners from any added liability if they shovel their sidewalks (745 ILCS 75/2). Residents should shovel snow into the yard, not on to the street. Putting snow onto the street causes dangerously slippery conditions for both motorists and pedestrians. City crews try to avoid putting large piles of snow in front of driveways, however, this is not always possible. To avoid having to double shovel, simply wait until after your street has been plowed to clear your driveway. Residents are also asked to clear snow around fire hydrants to aid firefighters and around meters to aid meter readers. ([http://www.naperville.il.us/dynamic_template.cfm?doc_id=294](http://www.naperville.il.us/dynamic_template.cfm?doc_id=294)) |
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| **New Lenox** | As residents, you can help us keep our streets and roads safer by keeping vehicles off public roads during snow storms and by not depositing snow from private drives and walks onto Village streets. ([http://www.newlenox.net/snow.html](http://www.newlenox.net/snow.html))
Sec. 74-1. Deposit of injurious materials, snow or other substances on street, right-of-way or sidewalk.
… (2) No person shall throw, blow, shovel or plow ice or snow onto any street or public way or onto any sidewalk or property of another person, or onto any other place which would create a hazard to vehicular traffic or a danger to pedestrians. [http://livepublish.municode.com/LivePublish/newonlinecodes.asp?infobase=13192](http://livepublish.municode.com/LivePublish/newonlinecodes.asp?infobase=13192) |
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<td>Sec. 22-7. Obstructions. … (b) It shall be unlawful to deposit snow from a private driveway, street or parking lot in a manner causing or creating obstruction of any other such private facilities or any public street, driveway, curb, gutter, alley, parkway, sidewalk, right-of-way, commons, ways to burying places, or other public way or public property. <a href="http://livepublish.municode.com/LivePublish/newonlinecodes.asp?infobase=11769">http://livepublish.municode.com/LivePublish/newonlinecodes.asp?infobase=11769</a> <a href="http://www.northbrook.il.us/index.asp">http://www.northbrook.il.us/index.asp</a></td>
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<td>C. Throwing Articles In Streets; Littering: It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, drop, place or leave in or on any road, street, alley, sidewalk public place in the Village any handbills, posters, dodgers, boxes, paper or any stone, missiles, nails, glass, iron or metal, trash, snow, garbage, or any other article or thing, except gravel, bituminous material, concrete or cinders or chemical compound, either for street improvement or ice and snow removal, and leaves to the edge of the pavement, between October 1 and November 30, provided the leaves do not obstruct the right of way. <a href="http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Oak%20Brook/index.htm">http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Oak%20Brook/index.htm</a> <a href="http://www.oak-brook.org/index.cfm">http://www.oak-brook.org/index.cfm</a></td>
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<td>Sec. 22-57. Littering; removal of snow and ice. It shall be unlawful for any person licensed to engage in any business or occupation on premises abutting a public way or for any person using any part of a public way for or in connection with his business or occupation to litter or to permit the accumulation of any paper, rubbish or refuse upon that portion of the public way abutting the premises or on and about that portion of the public way so used. It shall also be the duty of the licensee to remove the snow and ice from the sidewalk in front of his premises. (Code 1966, § 19-35; Ord. No. 1642, § 1, 12-22-97) Sec. 102-48. Public parking lots. (i) It shall be unlawful to deposit on public sidewalks, private or public parking spaces designated for handicapped persons, or public streets any snow which accumulated upon and is removed from an adjacent private property or from the area between an adjacent road line and curbline of the street. (Code 1966, § 28-28) <a href="http://www.villageofparkforest.net/index.php?src=">http://www.villageofparkforest.net/index.php?src=</a></td>
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| Skokie       | **When does the Village plow my street? Sidewalk? Alley?**  
Public Works will plow Village-owned or maintained streets when snow accumulations reach and exceed two inches. Sidewalks are the next priority and the Public Works Department will deploy its sidewalk plow fleet when snow accumulations reach and exceed four inches. Finally, attention will be given to clearing Village alleyways if the snow reaches and exceeds six inches.  
([http://www.skokie.org/public/snow.html#PLOW](http://www.skokie.org/public/snow.html#PLOW))  
Sec. 90-51. Snow removal and disposal.  
It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, dump or deposit an accumulation of snow or ice upon any public way. All persons in control of property located in any business zoned district fronting or abutting paved sidewalks shall remove the snow and ice from the portions so abutting or, if the snow and ice is too hard for removal, shall cover it with abrasive materials within 24 hours after a snowfall or freezing precipitation.  
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Wilmette:

Q. How Does The Village's Sidewalk Snow Removal Operation Work?
A. Wilmette is one of a handful of communities that removes snow from all public sidewalks. Priority is given to the main school and commuter walking routes, and business district sidewalks. Snow will be removed from non-priority sidewalks only after a 4” snowstorm and only after all streets and priority sidewalks are plowed. This could be as long as 48 or 72 hours after a snowstorm.

The Village has specialized equipment to do this work. However, it does have its limitations and cannot remove all the snow from sidewalks. Sidewalks that are located immediately next to the curb (called carriage walks) are very challenging and take longer to complete because they hold snow that was plowed from the street.

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Q. What Can I Do To Help?
A. Residents can do a number of things to help out during a snowstorm. By law, residents are not allowed to deposit snow onto any street once it has been plowed. Snow that has been placed onto the street could refreeze and cause a hazardous condition. Please do not push snow from your driveway onto the street, sidewalk, your neighbor's property or the cul-de-sac island. If there is a fire hydrant in front of your home, please try to clear the snow around the hydrant to allow access in the event of a fire emergency. Most important, in the event of an impending snowstorm, residents are asked to park their vehicles in the driveway and not block the sidewalk. 

http://www.wilmette.com

Winfield:

No Information (codes only) http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Winfield/index.htm

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Winnetka

Q. How is the Snow Plow and Ice Control Plan implemented?
A. The Village has a limited number of plows and drivers so we must assign the routes so that priority is given to the main streets such as Hibbard Road, Green Bay, Sheridan Road, etc. These routes receive much of the traffic within the Village and must be kept clear for traffic safety and emergency access. Minor streets receive next priority, and cul-de-sacs and alleys are addressed last. Public sidewalks are usually plowed when streets are plowed, unless the demands of keeping streets clear takes precedence. Plowing activities begin with snow accumulations of about 2 inches on sidewalks and streets.

http://www.villageofwinnetka.org/?x=departments%2Fpublicworks%2Ffaq.htm&t=Departments

Winthrop Harbor

§ 52.017 SNOW ON STREETS AND SIDEWALKS.
It shall be unlawful to deposit any snow on any street, sidewalk, or public way whether said snow be deposited by plowing, shoveling, scraping, by use of a snow blower, or in any other manner. (’79 Code, § 902) (Ord. 1983 O 6, passed 4 19 83) Penalty, see § 52.999

(http://www.winthroparbor.com/ordinance/ord_title5_ch52.asp)

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E. Depositing Snow In Streets: It shall be unlawful for any citizen or person under his direction and control in the process of removing or plowing snow from a private driveway, sidewalk or private property to deposit same into any street, alley or public way. (1976 Code §25-20) [http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Wood%20Dale/index.htm](http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Wood%20Dale/index.htm) |
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<p>| Woodridge    | Violations with Respect to Public Sidewalks, Public Streets and Public Ways: Depositing on public sidewalks or public streets snow which accumulates upon and is removed from any adjacent private property or from the area between the lot line and curb line of the street (7-1-1B) (codes only) <a href="http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Woodridge/index.htm">http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Woodridge/index.htm</a> |
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<td><strong>Request to Property Owners to Clear Sidewalks</strong>&lt;br&gt; The City of Woodstock encourages all residents to remove ice and snow from sidewalks in front of their homes and property. The clearing of snow makes it easier for school children and all residents to move safely and quickly throughout the City. In the past, there was a concern about a property owner being sued by a person who slipped and fell on a resident's newly-shoveled sidewalk. However, Illinois State Statute now exempts residents from liability from being sued for attempting to remove snow and ice from their sidewalk, even if performed negligently. Now there is no reason not to shovel your sidewalk. Please remove the snow and ice from your sidewalks as soon as possible following a snowfall, and help all school children and residents. Thank you! (<a href="http://www.woodstock-il.com/departments/snow.htm#request">http://www.woodstock-il.com/departments/snow.htm#request</a>)&lt;br&gt;No information (codes)&lt;br&gt;<a href="http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Woodstock/index.htm">http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Woodstock/index.htm</a></td>
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Appendix

- U.S. Department of Justice Correspondence Concerning Snow Removal Under the Americans with Disabilities Act
- Snow and Ice Removal Act from the Illinois Compiled Statutes
The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
United States Senator  
601 West Broadway  
Room 630  
Louisville, Kentucky  40202  

Dear Senator McConnell:

I am responding to your recent letter on behalf of your constituent, Mr. XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, Florence, Kentucky. Mr. XXXXXX filed a complaint with the Department of Justice alleging violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) by the City of Florence for failure to pass an ordinance requiring the removal of snow from sidewalks by property owners.

As we explained in response to Mr. XXXXXXXX call to the Department's ADA technical assistance information line, under title II of the ADA, State and local governments are required to ensure that their programs, services, and activities are accessible to individuals with disabilities. To the extent that accessible sidewalks are required to be provided in order to satisfy that obligation, those required sidewalks must be maintained in operable condition. Temporary interruptions in accessibility, such as those caused by snow, generally do not constitute violations of title II, however, unless they persist beyond a reasonable period of time. Notably, only those sidewalks that are required by the ADA to be accessible and that are within the control of the city will be required to be maintained by the city.
To the extent that a public entity provides snow removal services, title II requires those services to be provided in a non-discriminatory manner. However, sidewalk snow removal by private property owners is private action not covered by the title II absent some substantial involvement by the public entity. The ADA, therefore, does not generally require local governments to pass ordinances compelling property owners to remove snow from sidewalks.

To the extent that sidewalks lead to places of public accommodation covered by title III of the ADA, however, the private owners of such places of public accommodation may have obligations to maintain them under title III. If a sidewalk is required to be accessible under title III and if the abutting place of public accommodation exercises control over the sidewalk, the place of public accommodation may be required to maintain the sidewalk in operable condition. As under title II, temporary interruptions because of snow are permissible under title III unless they persist beyond a reasonable period of time.

Enclosed are copies of our Department's ADA Title II and Title III Technical Assistance Manuals, which may further assist Mr. XXXXXX in understanding the obligations of entities covered by the ADA. I hope this information is useful in responding to your constituent's inquiry.

Sincerely,

Deval L. Patrick  
Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

Enclosures
Snow and Ice Removal Act from the Illinois Compiled Statutes

http://www.legis.state.il.us/legislation/ilcs/ilcs.asp

CIVIL IMMUNITIES
(745 ILCS 75/) Snow and Ice Removal Act.

(745 ILCS 75/0.01) (from Ch. 70, par. 200)
Sec. 0.01. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Snow and Ice Removal Act.
(Source: P.A. 86-1324.)

(745 ILCS 75/1) (from Ch. 70, par. 201)
Sec. 1. It is declared to be the public policy of this State that owners and others residing in residential units be encouraged to clean the sidewalks abutting their residences of snow and ice. The General Assembly, therefore, determines that it is undesirable for any person to be found liable for damages due to his or her efforts in the removal of snow or ice from such sidewalks, except for acts which amount to clear wrongdoing, as described in Section 2 of this Act.
(Source: P.A. 81-591.)

(745 ILCS 75/2) (from Ch. 70, par. 202)
Sec. 2. Any owner, lessor, occupant or other person in charge of any residential property, or any agent of or other person engaged by any such party, who removes or attempts to remove snow or ice from sidewalks abutting the property shall not be liable for any personal injuries allegedly caused by the snowy or icy condition of the sidewalk resulting from his or her acts or omissions unless the alleged misconduct was willful or wanton.
(Source: P.A. 81-591.)