



SNOW

From falling to plowing - what to know.

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When snow begins to fall in Lawrence, we're ready. We monitor road conditions constantly and prepare for storms in advance. Here's the basics on our snow removal process.



What Does the City Do?

Our snow plan is divided into phases: pre-treatment, spreading salt and/or sand, and snow plowing. Depending on how much snow has fallen, the city will bring in additional manpower and equipment.

We have 20 snow routes. Each snow route follows a priority order from most traveled to least traveled. Priority is also given to routes that service buses, schools and major employment centers.

We have two employee shifts - we work around-the-clock if necessary to handle snow operations.

Crews may begin with a de-icing pre-treatment. When precipitation begins, streets are treated with a salt and/or sand mix to provide additional traction. Once snowfall begins to accumulate, crews will transition to snow plowing. Snow plowing follows a priority order with major roadways at the top of the list.

As snow continues to accumulate, the city may bring in other resources, including private contractors, other departments and rented equipment if needed to handle snow operations.

What Can You Do During a Snow Storm?

The most important thing you can do during snow operations is be aware and stay informed. Visit lawrenceks.org/snow for road conditions and up-to-date information. Monitor the forecast and plan ahead - allow plenty of time for travel or stay off the roads whenever possible. Move your vehicle off the street if you can.

After the Storm - What to Do?

The city requires all property owners to remove snow and ice from your public sidewalk within 48 hours of the end of a snow fall. Check on your neighbors to see if they need help clearing snow. Help us continue to provide our other city services by making sure trash containers are visible and not buried by snow and remove snow around fire hydrants. When we plow your street, windrows of snow may be left in your driveway.