

Working Together Clearing Snow

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The City of Kenosha asks all citizens to help keep Kenosha's streets and sidewalks clean and safe in the winter months ahead. Citizens can help by removing snow from their sidewalks, handicapped ramps, fire hydrants, roadway inlets, and mailboxes, as well as by watching and responding to snow emergency information through the local media.

Snow Clearing Sidewalks and Handicapped Ramps

By City Ordinance, property owners and occupants are required to clear their sidewalks of snow and ice within 24 hours following the end of a winter storm. All properties that abut handicap ramps shall also clear the snow from the full width of the ramp and the adjacent curbline for accessibility and public safety purposes. Cleared snow should be stored on the same property on which it accumulates. Snow is not allowed to be shoveled, dumped, snow blown or otherwise placed in any public street or alley right-of-way. Property owners may be fined for violation of this City Ordinance. Apparent violations can be reported to the City of Kenosha Department of Public Works.

When clearing snow from sidewalks, driveways and approaches, residents are encouraged to place the snow in their front yards/towards their homes when possible. This lessens the amount of snow in the parkways, giving additional storage for street plowing operations. This also may help to reduce the amount of snow in driveway approaches and on sidewalks.

Fire Hydrants and Roadway Inlets

In case of emergency, to ensure safety and to help reduce the risk of roadway flooding during heavy rain and snow melting, fire hydrants and roadway inlets should be kept free and clear of snow and ice.

Street Side Mailboxes

Public Works will clear snow with the plow equipment as close as possible to mailboxes. Conditions may not allow full clearing. It is ultimately the property owners responsibility to clear a path to your mailbox to accommodate the delivery of mail.

Automated Carts

In an effort to keep automated carts clear of snow removal operations, citizens are asked to clean an area in the lawn park to place automated carts. Another possible location is on either side of the driveway approach out of the street.

For more information, visit kenosha.org/departments/public-works/seasonal-operations.