

What is a Snow Emergency?

When a snow emergency is declared, special parking rules go into effect to allow streets to be plowed more efficiently. Residents and visitors must move their vehicles off of snow emergency routes. Vehicles that do not move off of snow emergency routes risk being ticketed and/or towed at the owner's expense.



When is a Snow Emergency declared?

The City of Duluth will consider the following before declaring a snow emergency: future weather forecasts, timing, the type of precipitation and accumulation. The City will declare a Snow Emergency no later than 4 pm on any given day. Notification of snow emergencies will be communicated through Northland Alert, local media, the City of Duluth's social media pages, and website.

To sign up to receive a Northland Alert text message, email, or phone call, please visit the following link <https://duluthmn.gov/northlandalert/>

Snow Emergency Timeline

Day 1

Snow emergencies are declared by 4:00 pm

4:00 pm – 9:00 pm – The public has five hours to remove vehicles from snow emergency routes.

9:00 pm – 2:00 am – Cars remaining on snow emergency routes risk being ticketed and/or towed.

Day 2

2:00 am – 6:00 pm – Street Maintenance crews clear snow emergency routes.

6:00 pm – Normal parking rules resume. *If the snow emergency is extended, parking restrictions stay in place until the following day.*

As soon as a snow emergency has concluded, cars can again be parked on the snow emergency route, unless otherwise signed or unless a new snow emergency has been declared.

For more information, please use the QR Code on the front of this brochure or visit www.duluthmn.gov/snow.



Limited free parking during Snow Emergencies

During the 2021-2022 snow season, the City of Duluth created a pilot project intended to assist residents with alternative parking options during the declaration of a Snow Emergency. Designated, optional snow emergency lots are located across the city for residents and visitors to park in during a snow emergency. Specific lots will be made available for parking during snow emergencies from 4 pm on Day 1 to 8 pm on Day 2. Vehicles must be parked in compliance with all posted signs in these specific lots. Failure to move a vehicle following the end of a snow emergency may result in action up to and including ticketing and towing. **As soon as a snow emergency has concluded, cars can again be parked on the snow emergency route, unless otherwise signed or unless a new snow emergency has been declared.** The lots have limited capacity and will operate on a first come, first served basis.

A map of the snow emergency lots can be found at www.duluthmn.gov/snow or by scanning the QR code on the front of this brochure.

USE DULUTH'S SNOW EMERGENCY PARKING MAP

Learn when and where you can park your vehicle during a snow emergency.



Sign up to receive text or email alerts.



Easily pinpoint your location on the map.



Save the map as an icon on your device homescreen.

Visit duluthmngov/snow for maps and alerts.

Improving snow plow response times

City plow drivers clear over 530 miles of roadway. Crews work hard to clear snow as quickly as possible. The following conditions negatively impact how quickly City crews can plow streets.

- **Illegally parked or stalled vehicles in snow that restrict or prevent access to plow streets or alleys – please do your part to keep plow trucks moving**
- *Snow plowing equipment is rendered inadequate by the depths of the snow, drifts or ice conditions*
- *Weather so severe as to cause crews to be called in from the street, i.e., whiteout conditions or icy conditions*

Snow and Ice Policy

This policy details the City's plan to combat inclement weather, and details service expectations. Please note that times given start **after** the snow fall stops. These times are approximate.

- Priority 1 (Main Arterials) – **36 hours** after the snowfall subsides
- Priority 2 (Residential) – streets open to traffic (one lane) **48 hours** after the snowfall subsides
- Priority 3 (Alleys) – opened and made passable **56 hours** after the snowfall subsides

Important parking information

City ordinances govern on street parking year-round. In the winter, it is even more critical that you know when to switch to the even or odd side of the street so that snowplows can clear streets as quickly as possible. The parking calendar is included in this brochure for your convenience.

On street - weekly alternate side parking (year-round)

1. Shaded weeks on the calendar (next page) are designated ODD numbered weeks, and motorists should park on the ODD numbered side of streets.
2. Unshaded weeks are designated EVEN numbered weeks, and motorists should park on the EVEN numbered side of streets.
3. Parking is permitted on both sides of the street **only** during the change-over period on Sunday evening from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
4. This schedule is superseded by on-street signage. (Example: No parking on one side.)



ON-STREET WEEKLY ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING

November 1, 2022 through October 31, 2023

November 2022

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December 2022

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January 2023

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February 2023

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March 2023

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May 2023

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June 2023

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July 2023

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August 2023

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September 2023

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October 2023

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How you can make snow removal more efficient

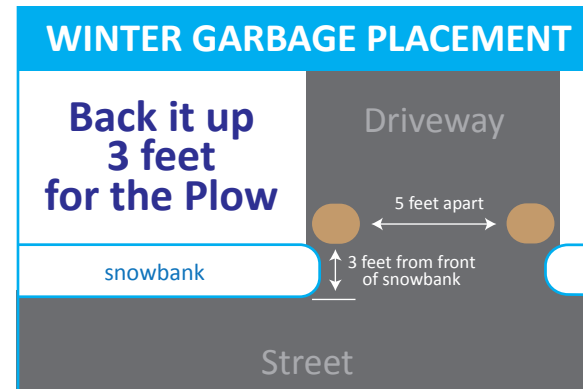
Keep all cars, trailers, and other large objects off the right-of-way to make room for snow plows. Please keep all belongings behind power pole lines in alleys, or behind sidewalks leaving room for snow plows to deposit snow.



Garbage and Recycling Cans

It can be hard to find a spot for your trash and recycling cans in the winter. Please remember that placing cans on the right-of-way or in the street is illegal and a great way for them to become damaged or broken at the homeowner's expense. Please place cans on the boulevard or in your driveway, 3 feet back from the curb and away from snowplows.

For questions or more information, please visit duluthmn.gov/snow or use the QR code on the front page.



Sidewalk Removal Requirements

Duluth City ordinance requires property owners to clear sidewalks within 24 hours of the end of a snowfall. Clearing the sidewalk of snow and ice allows for neighbors pushing strollers, using wheelchairs, and pedestrians to get where they need to go. Clear your sidewalk and avoid a property tax assessment for noncompliance.

Sidewalk Removal Requirements:

- 1) Remove all ice from sidewalks. Sprinkling sand can help prevent people from slipping.
- 2) Pile snow on your yard. It is against the law to shovel snow into streets and alleys.
- 3) If you have a corner property, clear curb cuts at corners and crosswalks to the street gutter.
- 4) Shovel the sidewalks on all sides of your property. The full width of the sidewalk should be clear of snow and ice.

Report a sidewalk issue by visiting duluthmn.gov/snow. Complaints require an exact address to be processed effectively.



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411 West 1st Street
Duluth, MN 55802

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