

Dover Township Public Works Snow Removal

Winter storms can range from moderate snow for a few hours to a blizzard that may last for several days. Regardless of the severity of the storm, Dover Township want to ensure everyone in our community to be prepared and remains safe during these events.

Dover Township recognizes the importance of snow removal not only for our residents, but for anyone who travels to or through the Township.

Please help us, help you during a snow event by doing the following: Once snow accumulates three (3) inches or more and until the roadway is cleared by Dover Township's Public Works Department or PennDOT, no vehicle, trailer, or camper may be parked along the roadway.

It is impossible for snowplows to avoid having snow placed at the bottom of driveways. Unfortunately, this is the reality of snow removal.

Keeping sidewalks safe is an important winter safety concern. This is to ensure anyone can safely walk or get around. If you live on a corner lot, be sure to clear a path to the roadway. It is possible this location is a pickup and drop off for school students. Please clear snow, sleet and ice from sidewalks in front of your property no more than twenty-four (24) hours after a storm.

§ 21-104. Maintenance of and Snow Removal from Sidewalks and Curbs.

It shall be the further duty of any owner of property in Dover Township who is otherwise required to maintain sidewalks in accordance with other ordinances of this Township and any occupant of said premises to remove or cause to be removed from all sidewalks in front of or abutting such property within 24 hours after snow has ceased to fall, the sufficient amount of ice and snow to leave a cleared pathway at least 36 inches in width for the entire length of that portion of the sidewalk in front of or abutting such property. The owner of the property shall be responsible for conforming to the requirements of this Section even where such property is occupied by someone other than the owner or is unoccupied.

(Ord. 91-1, 9/9/1991, § 4.4; as amended by Ord. 2005-08, 10/24/2005)

Please do not shovel, blow, or plow the snow from your driveway or sidewalks into the roadway.

§ 21-502. Prohibition of Certain Obstructions.

1. The placement of the following items within the cartway or right-of-way of any public street within Dover Township or within the clear sight triangle (as defined in the Dover Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance) of any intersection within Dover Township is strictly prohibited and hereby declared a nuisance:

- A. Sports equipment of any kind including but not limited to:
 - (1) Basketball goals or nets whether permanent or temporary.

- (2) Skateboarding ramps, half-pipes or rails.
- (3) Soccer or hockey goals or nets.
- (4) Bicycle ramps.
- B. Unattached trailers or boats whether legally licensed or not.
- C. Unlicensed, uninspected or inoperable motor vehicles in excess of 24 hours.
- D. Building or landscaping materials of any kind including but not limited to:
 - (1) Piles of stone or rock.
 - (2) Protective barriers.
 - (3) Piles of mulch.
 - (4) Piles of topsoil or fill material.
 - (5) Grass clippings, leaves or yard waste, whether piled or blown.
 - (6) Sod.
 - (7) Lumber.
 - (8) Firewood.
 - (9) Asphalt.
 - (10) Vinyl, plastic, wood or metal fences.
 - (11) Metal plate ramps.
 - (12) Dumpsters or portable storage containers.
- E. Portable or chemical toilets.
- F. Non-Traffic Signs.
- G. Snow.

Be sure to remove all trash and recycling cans from the roadway to avoid damages.

Keep any stormwater inlet open near or around your property. Keeping it open will prevent flooding and icing conditions on the roadway.

If you have a fire hydrant on your property, please help the Dover Township Fire Volunteer Company or any other responding Company by clearing three (3) feet in all directions. This ensures the fire hydrant is visible from the road and easily accessible to connect a fire hose. By doing so, it may not only save your life, but it may also save your neighbor's life. Snow accumulation or the result of plowing snow, can completely cover or restrict access to fire hydrants.

To avoid any interruption in your mail service from the post office, please remove all snow from in front of your mailbox. Additionally, check that your mailbox and post are in good repair. Be sure they are behind the curb, not leaning out over the street, and your house number is not blocked or covered by snow.

Dover Township's Public Works Crews work extremely hard to make traveling on Township roads safe for everyone. Please be patient and allow time for them to arrive in your area and effectively remove snow and ice from the streets.

Thank you,

Dover Township