



## **Snow Removal/De-icing Policies and Procedures from Public Works**

The removal of snow and de-icing of Borough roads is performed by the Department of Public Works. All snow equipment is deployed by the Superintendent as needed after reviewing current conditions and forecast made available by electronic media and in working closely with the Police, Fire, First Aid, and The Office of Emergency Management by way of two-way radio communication and cell phones to assure that our road system is made as safe as possible in a timely, cost effective and efficient manner for the residents we serve.

When we know measurable snowfall will occur, Monmouth County Road Department will be called- in through a cost saving shared service to apply Salt Brine. A brine coat of salt mixed with magnesium chloride to pre-treat the roads prior to or at the time of the expected snowfall. With this in place and as the snow continues to fall and accumulate, our very qualified and dedicated staff will begin to utilize our snowplows but raise them a bit (so as to not remove the brine coat of salt that was applied) and begin the plowing process. The initial application of salt will serve the motorist well as it as it begins to melt the snow as it falls and maintains a point of traction for your vehicle as you travel our roads and we begin to plow off the excess snow that has accumulated. On other occasions when winter weather conditions permit rainfall to take place during the day and later freeze at night, the same de-icing process will take place.

It's during these times that our roads are prioritized to always allow Emergency Services (Fire, First Aid, Police, and OEM) safe travel to help residents during an illness requiring the transportation to a local hospital, a household fire or another emergency whereas the Emergency Management is called in.

First priority roads would include major Thorofare's, etc. with secondary roads beings side streets and dead ends. We also assist with the county roads that run through the Borough as needed to improve conditions for our residents.

Following these additional guidelines will also help us in serving the residents in a more effective manner during any snow or ice emergency.

- Please do not pass our snow plows during any emergency snow operations.
- Please park all vehicles (when possible) off the street whenever snow is forecasted.
- Basketball hoops should be removed from the street in front of your homes.
- As you stand in front of your house looking at it, please shovel or plow any snow you remove from your driveway to the left side so as when one of our snowplows come by, the snow you have shoveled is taken away from your driveway, and not put back in it.
- After any plowable snowfall we receive, please keep your garbage and recycling cans out of the street.

- **Refer to the Borough website for emergency related information.**
- **Do not discharge water or shovel/ plow snow into the street at any time. This will only delay your street being properly cleared from snow and ice in a timely fashion as your street will then be rotated back to the bottom of the list. Please talk to your neighbors about this and if you have any questions, call the Superintendent of Public Works at 732-739-5428. All calls will be returned in a timely manner.**