

Winter Weather Alert

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Citizens Urged to Prepare for Possible Snow Accumulation on Saturday

Snow expected in Baltimore may create slick driving conditions

The Baltimore City Department of Transportation would like to encourage citizens to plan ahead for a winter storm event that is forecast for tomorrow morning in the Baltimore region. Light snow is expected to begin early Saturday and will continue throughout the morning, which may create slippery driving conditions.

The Baltimore City Snow Team is prepared for the winter precipitation and will closely monitor weather and roadway conditions. Crews will be pretreating city gateways and primary roadways with salt brine today prior to the storm. Snow crews will also activate at 4:00 a.m. on Saturday morning to treat city streets and address icy conditions throughout the storm. This includes nearly 300 pieces of city equipment working on city streets during this event.

Citizens are encouraged to plan ahead and be prepared for winter emergencies. Driving conditions may become hazardous Saturday morning and motorists are advised to proceed with extreme caution. Winter precipitation may cause roadways to become slick, especially on bridges, ramps and overpasses. Motorists should allow additional travel time and exercise patience while driving.

We ask that commuters prepare for the inclement weather and drive with extreme caution, as roadways may become slippery, said Director Michelle Pourciau. Snow crews will be treating city streets and closely monitoring roadway conditions.

Motorists should not attempt to pass snow plows and should allow extra following distance for everyone's safety.

Citizens who do not have to drive are encouraged to refrain from traveling during the storm. Whenever possible, motorists are encouraged to utilize off street parking areas such as driveways and parking pads so that snow crews can better treat city roadways.

For updated weather forecasts, traffic conditions and school delay/closing information, citizens should tune into local media stations. Be sure to follow DOT on Facebook at Baltimore City Department of Transportation and Twitter @BmorecityDOT for additional updates.

Just a reminder about what to expect from the City and what we need to do. This is part of the TCNA Snow Plan

Snow is expected again late today and on Saturday. See below what to do if your street is not done.

Let us know if there are any problems.

Send snow pictures to Dave Baker at dbb3@aurorapaving.com for the website.

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WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CITY STREET IS NOT DONE

- If you DO NOT see a snowplow or salt truck on your street within the first 12 hours of when the snow starts,

CALL 311 and let them know that your street has not been treated. Be sure to record the confirmation number.

- After you get a confirmation number,

Contact Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke's office (410-396-4814) or email her at MaryPat.Clarke@baltimorecity.gov with your name, street and the 311 confirmation number. (During snow storms, answering machines and emails are checked on weekends and holidays). Mary Pat will follow up with the Snow Call Center.

Email TCNA Board Member, Chris

Whitaker at skybluebye@hotmail.com and give your name, street, and the 311 confirmation number. He will track the issue or any concerns you have.

Baltimore City Snow Plan. for the Tuscany-Canterbury Neighborhood

Tuscany-Canterbury streets are divided into primary and secondary streets. The main difference is that primary streets are treated by city employees using 5-ton trucks. Secondary streets are treated by contractors using various sizes of smaller trucks.

- **Primary streets:**

- 39th Street
- Charles Street
- Canterbury Road
- Linkwood Road
- Tuscany Road
- University Parkway

- **Secondary Streets:**

- Cloverhill Road
- Highfield Road
- Ridgemedede Road
- Stony Run Lane

- Stoney Ford
 - Streets not done by Baltimore City
- Tuscany Court
 - **THE CITY DOES NOT TREAT OR PLOW ALLEYS OR SHOVEL SIDEWALKS.**
 - The TCNA has requested that the large plows not plow snow in the entrance to Tuscany Court and in the intersection of 39th and Stony Run Lane. If these intersections are plowed shut, TCNA has requested that smaller plows come back open them again.

The snow treatment of primary and secondary streets begins at the same time.

The city's goal is to complete **primary routes once in two hours** and **secondary routes once in four hours**. Variables affecting this goal are weather conditions, street conditions, the amount of snow, and the time required to replenish salt supplies from city salt barns. Routes are repeated until streets are passable.

Residents Responsibilities

- Shovel your sidewalk
- Do NOT put snow in the street when you shovel your sidewalk or clear your car
- Park as close to the curb as possible during snow storms so that the plows can get through
- Remove snow from storm drains (so that streets don't flood).