City of Palmer
Department of Public Works
Snow Removal Information

Remember:
When an accumulation of two or more inches of snowfall or drifting snow conditions exist, parking is prohibited on all city streets and rights-of-way in all residential districts to facilitate snow removal. (PMC 10.04.050)

When an accumulation of two or more inches of snowfall or drifting snow conditions exist, overnight parking is prohibited during the period of 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. on all city streets and rights-of-way in commercial, industrial, or public districts to facilitate snow removal. If your vehicle remains parked on the street it is subject to being towed at your expense per PMC 10.05.055.

If snow is forecasted, park your vehicle OFF the street. This will allow snow plows room for curb-to-curb plowing and prevent your vehicle from becoming plowed in or possibly towed away.

Snow Removal and Sanding Priorities

Snow removal and sanding are performed on city streets and roads in the following order of priority:

- Main arterial and business district streets, school routes, etc.
- Main feeder or collector streets leading to arterial streets and highways, and Palmer Municipal Airport.
- Neighborhood residential streets and subdivisions.
- All other low-density streets.

The snow removal priority map is available for viewing on our website.

If too many obstructions (cars, trailers, etc.) are present on a street it will be bypassed until safer conditions arise.

Snow Berms Across Driveways

The operator’s main objective is to keep our roadways open for the safe passage of traffic. Whenever possible, operators try to minimize the size of berms across driveways using snow gates. The snow gates DO NOT guarantee there will be no berm left across a driveway. Residents should be prepared to remove snow berms from their driveway if one is left behind.

Sidewalk & Bike Path Snow and Ice Control

Property owners (or occupants) of any premises bordered by a paved sidewalk are responsible by ordinance for removal of snow and ice from those sidewalks. The City removes snow and ice from sidewalks around City buildings and will attempt to clear snow along school routes, bike paths and a single lane along downtown (core) area sidewalks, as time allows. Please lend a hand to neighbors who cannot clear their own sidewalks and steps.

For More Information

If you would like more information, please call the City’s Public Works Department at 745-3400 and for after-hours emergencies please call the Palmer Police Department at 745-4811.

The PW hotline 761-1358 contains snow removal information and is updated as conditions change.
Residents/occupants and business owners/occupants that remove snow from their driveways or sidewalks are reminded that PMC ordinance prohibits placing, leaving, or depositing snow on any public street, sidewalk, avenue, or alley in the City from private property to public property. This prohibition also applies to a street or sidewalk that has recently been cleaned.