

Clear your sidewalk

to keep our community safe



Snow covered sidewalks create mobility challenges.

Sidewalks are the responsibility of the adjacent property owners and occupants.

If you own, work or live on a property with an adjacent sidewalk, it's yours to keep clear of snow, in accordance with Everett Municipal Code 13.08. The law applies to anyone in charge of a building, lot or vacant property, either commercial or residential.

If you need assistance clearing your sidewalk, there are many private companies that provide this service, or your neighbors may be able to help. Please work with us to keep Everett's sidewalks safe for the community.

What happens if I don't clear my sidewalk?

The City hopes everyone will be a good neighbor and maintain their own sidewalks. Keeping sidewalks clear helps everyone get around safely. Everett's sidewalk maintenance compliance program is complaint driven and focuses on educating the public on their responsibility to clear the sidewalk. Failure to maintain a sidewalk will result in a notification from the City.

How else can I help?

Spread the word that it's everyone's responsibility to keep their sidewalks clear and safe to use. If you've cleared your sidewalk, look around to see if a neighbor could use help. Making our sidewalks safe is a community effort.

Find out more about how Everett deals with inclement weather at everettwa.gov/inclementweather

Everett Municipal Code 13.08

Currently under review

13.08.010 Maintenance of sidewalks— Duty of abutting property owners.

Whenever any street, lane, square, place or alley in the city has been improved by the construction of sidewalk or sidewalks along either or both sides thereof, the duty, burden, and expense of repair, renewal, maintenance, and removal of obstructions and snow from such sidewalk or sidewalks shall be to the property owner directly abutting upon that side of such street along which the said sidewalk has been constructed. (Ord. 322-74 § 1, 1974)

13.08.020 Snow or ice— To be removed by noon.

The owner, agent, occupant or person in charge of each and every tenement, building or vacant property fronting upon or adjoining any street on which sidewalks exist shall clean by noon the sidewalk in front of or adjoining such building, or unoccupied lot or building, as the case may be, of snow or ice to the width of said sidewalk and cause the same to be kept clean from snow or ice. (Ord. 322-74 § 2, 1974)

