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Public Works offers tips to prepare for winter weather

Community encouraged to be neighborly by doing their part and helping others when possible

EVERETT, Wash. – With cold temperatures and snow in the forecast, Everett Public Works offers tips and resources to help community members prepare for snow and ice. The community is encouraged to check road conditions before leaving home and clear your sidewalk as ways to keep everyone safer. Consider being neighborly and checking on those who live nearby and might need extra help.

How to prepare

- Take steps to prepare your family and home for snow, cold temperatures and possible power outages. Visit the City of Everett website for resources: everettwa.gov/prepare.
- For weather updates, visit weather.gov/sew
- View a [map of Everett priority snow and ice removal routes](#).

When the snow hits or ground temperatures freeze

- Be a good neighbor and [clear your sidewalk](#) if you can. By City code, clearing sidewalks of snow and ice is the responsibility of the adjacent property owners and occupants. Pile up cleared snow where it doesn't impede travel.
- View a [map of Everett priority snow and ice removal routes](#) to see what streets (within City limits) get plowed and treated by City staff. Sometimes street plowing causes "snow walls" on sidewalks and driveways that you may need to clear.
- View [Everett's traffic cameras](#) to look at the conditions at 40 locations across the city.

- Visit Everett's Inclement Weather Updates webpage at everettwa.gov/inclementweather for City updates and additional resources.
- Call Public Works dispatch at 425-257-8821 to report trouble spots on the roads.
- Increase the distance between you and other cars on the roadway to allow for time to make adjustments. No sudden turns or braking.
- Wet snow is heavy! Be cautious of falling trees/branches and heavy, wet snow accumulations on roofs.
- As the weather warms back up, clear blocked storm drains of snow and ice to help manage surface water and prevent flooding.

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