

From the Public Works Department

The Lower Salford Township Public Works Department has begun preparing for winter operations. Our main objective is to keep you safe as you travel through our township.

In an effort to do so, we need your help; when you hear of a pending winter event, please follow these few tips to aid us and everyone in our snow removal efforts:

- All vehicles must be parked off streets to allow for a safer, more efficient snow removal operation.
- Please remove your trash, recycling containers, and sports equipment from the street.
- Please ensure that your walks are cleared and treated within 10 hours of the end of a snowfall. If snow falls after 6 p.m. you will have until 11 a.m. the next day to complete clearing and treating your walks.
- Be certain that your sump pump discharges on your property or into a storm drain directly, not onto sidewalks or streets where it can freeze and cause a dangerous situation.
- PLEASE help our Fire Department by clearing any fire hydrants on your property during and after a storm and after the plows pass through. This is critical should the need to reach a hydrant occur.

Lastly, our crews will be out working hard for the benefit of you and others. They will be working long hours and will, at times, need to rest and replenish nutrients. Please know that these periods are imperative to everyone's safety and are of great benefit to the overall operation.

We make every attempt to be efficient and professional. In the event that damage is caused, please wait until after the storm has ended to contact the Township and someone will get back to you.

Clearing the roads is our main goal. We will push snow toward the edge of the road and yes it will end up at the end of your driveway (see the above diagram which may help minimize the amount of snow in your driveway).

Once again, we will use our Liquid Brine System to aid in the fight against Old Man Winter. Brine is our first line of defense in preventing snow/ice from bonding to the roadway.

We will apply Liquid Brine to our roads 24-48 hours ahead of a predicted snow/ice event. Please understand that not every storm is conducive to the use of brine. We will continue to evaluate each event individually and continue to watch temperatures and conditions closely. Our ultimate goal is to use this tool in an efficient manner to ensure all who reside here, travel through here, or visit our beautiful township are kept safe.

Once again, our overall goal is making the roads safe for everyone. Township Supervisor Phil Heilman agrees that the wider and cleaner the roads, the safer they are for everyone.

For Township emergency or meeting announcements, check the township website or tune to KYW 1060 or WNPV 1440 for updates.

Thank you for your help, patience and understanding.

