

Objects in Town Road Rights-of-Way

It is unlawful for any person to place within the right-of-way any personal property that may obstruct the Town's snow removal efforts. It is the responsibility of owners to keep the road rights-of-way clear of vehicles, trailers, trash cans and other items of personal property in order to facilitate the proper snow and ice control operations.

If a property owner's mailbox is damaged as a result of snowplowing equipment, such damages will only be considered for compensation if the mailbox was physically struck by the snowplowing equipment, and if the mailbox was properly installed and was of a type in conformity with the standards specified by the United States Postal Services.

Becker Township

Snow and Ice Control and Winter Parking



Snow and Ice Handling

When does snowplowing begin?

Snowplowing operations will normally not begin until the snow has stopped falling or until such a volume of snow has accumulated. Snow will be plowed in a manner which is the most efficient for the Contractor and least costly to the Township.

Sanding and Salting

The Town must consider the cost, environmental impact, public safety, and availability of staff and equipment when deciding if, when and to what extent to apply sand and/or salt. To the extent of application, priority is

1. Hills, controlled intersections, bridges, and curves.
2. Major arterial and collector streets
3. School zones
4. Bus routes
5. Commercial Areas
6. Residential Areas
7. Rural areas

Snowplowing Private Property

The Town will not provide for the snowplowing or sanding of private property except when requested to do so by law enforcement to provide access for emergency vehicles responding to an emergency.



Winter Parking Ordinance

Purpose

The purpose of the Winter Parking Ordinance is to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the Town's citizens, and to ensure proper maintenance of and allow safe passage on its improved rights-of-way.

Intent

The intent of the winter parking ordinance is to impose reasonable regulation in order to allow for proper snow removal during the winter months and sufficient cleared width for travel.

Parking

During the period from January 1 to April 1, inclusive, and from November 15 to December 31, inclusive, of each calendar year, no trailers or motor vehicles or parts thereof with the exception of emergency vehicles shall be parked on any road within the township.

Parking during and after snow events

After a snowfall of two (2) inches or more, all roads in the Town shall be cleared of all motor vehicles, trailers and parts thereof, for the purpose of snow plowing and/or removal, until the roads are plowed.

Penalties

Any person who violates the Winter parking ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor offence and subject to the penalties for such as provided in State law.



More on Snow and Ice Control and Winter Parking

Complaints or Requests for

further service regarding snow and ice control should be directed to the Town Clerk. If the Contractor is aware of complaints or requests for additional services, it forwards such complaints or requests to the Town Clerk for Town Board consideration.

Town Roads that are Snowplowed

Unless closed because of a snow emergency, or unless subsequently identified as a town road that will be closed during the winter months or when such roads are reasonably impassible, all town roads will normally be snowplowed by the Town.

Want a copy of the:

Winter Parking Ordinance
<http://beckertownship.org/ordinance.html>

Select the winter parking ordinance link to pdf.

Snow and Ice Control Policy
<http://beckertownship.org/snow-information.html>

Scroll down to the Snow Policy Button to obtain a pdf.



Or, you can either contact the clerk by

Email:

clerk@beckertownship.org

By phone:

763-261-5301.