

Snow & Ice Control

City of Altoona, WI

The street department utilizes 5 trucks and 1 wheel loader for snow removal on Altoona's 39 miles of roads and streets.

During emergency conditions (i.e. freezing rain, sleet or ice) crews are called out immediately. Salt is used when temperatures are above 10° to 15° F. For lower temperatures, a salt and sand mix is used. Priorities are hills and main roads with side streets to follow.



Snow plowing begins when three inches of snow are on the street. A normal snow event of 8" or less will take crews approximately 6 or 7 hours to clear all roads and streets. A major snow event of 8" or more means that crews will work until all roads are plowed.



What You Can Do

1. Minimize travel during inclement weather.
2. Park your vehicle off-street in your driveway or garage.
3. City workers suggest that residents wait to shovel until snow plowing is finished on your street. Crews usually make 2 to 3 passes on each side of the street to clear it.
4. **Sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice within 24 hours following a snowfall or icy weather. Snow covered sidewalks can be reported to City Hall at 839-6092.**
5. If you have a fire hydrant in front of your home or business, please clear the snow around it.
6. Businesses and multi-dwelling residences are asked to be aware of the location of snow pile placement so as not to create a traffic hazard.
7. Please make safety a priority. Be patient... allow yourself extra travel time. Drive with caution and appropriate to the weather conditions.

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