

## Snow Removal Policy

NOTE: Policy subject to flexibility/change under extraordinary weather conditions

### 1. Homeowners Responsibility

- Snow and ice removal from driveways and sidewalks is the responsibility of each individual homeowner. Any part of a sidewalk bordering and within a property's lot line is the responsibility of that property's owner to remove the snow and ice (see "Ice Removal, Section 5, below).
- You may personally remove snow from your driveway and sidewalks, or hire an independent contractor to do it for you. A number of residents have had good results using *Ike Muro 509-520-0261*.
- Do not push or throw snow into the street or in front of fire hydrants at any time. Please pile it on lawn areas.
- Do not park in the street when forecasters are calling for a plowable snow storm at or above the 4"-6" depth range.
- Consider purchasing slip-on ice treads for your shoes like "Yaktrax" or "Stabilicers" to reduce risks of slips and falls when you need to go outside in snow/icy weather.

### 2. Streets

- The Villages snow removal contractor will follow the city of College Place's plowing guidelines, which sets a 4"-6" snowfall accumulation as its minimum depth for plowing streets. Plowing priority will be in the following in order: (1) Main arterial: Garrison Village Way; (2) Feeder road: Creekside Drive; (3) Hills: Crestlane Drive (Hawk Hill); (4) All other Villages roads and alleys.

### 3. Garrison Village Way Sidewalks and Walking Trail

- The Villages snow removal contractor will first clear the sidewalks on Garrison Village Way and then the walking trails.

### 4. Mailboxes and Fire Hydrants

- Move vehicles off the street, if temporarily parked there, and away from mailboxes and fire hydrants. If vehicles are parked in front of mailboxes and fire hydrants, the snow removal contractor cannot plow or shovel the street in front of them.

- If mailboxes are blocked, the mailman will not deliver mail. If the fire hydrants are blocked, fire trucks will not be able to quickly access them if a house is on fire.

## **5. Ice Removal**

- Elimination of ice patches from driveways and sidewalks in front of your own home is the responsibility of the homeowner.
- Use of Magnesium Chloride 'Ice Melt' products is highly recommended, as it will not destroy your sidewalk concrete.
- Caution!! Do not use salt! (sodium chloride). It is extremely corrosive to concrete sidewalks and may cause irreparable damage.