

# SNOW REMOVAL

Putting snow in its place!

When a winter storm hits, the Ada County Highway District (ACHD) winter maintenance crews work to clear roads of snow to make them safer. With more than 5,000 lane miles to cover, it's a huge job.

Residents have a job too!

Keeping the sidewalk in front of your home or business clear of snow and ice is required by local and state codes.

*\* It's also polite.*

## WHERE SHOULD THE SNOW GO?



### Clearing Sidewalks

Place the snow on your property or within the buffer between the sidewalk and street, if one exists.



### Clearing Parking Lots

Keep the snow within the private property.



### Please!

Do not push the snow into the street!

### Why can't snow go into the street?

Adding more snow to what has already naturally fallen onto the street, or has been piled by ACHD plow trucks, can compromise visibility, create physical hazards, and block or overwhelm the storm drains once the snow begins to melt.



### STORM DRAINS

Everyone plays a part in mitigating potential flooding, and property owners should work to keep their adjacent storm drains clear of debris and snow. Find your neighborhood storm drains online at [achdidaho.org/stormdrainmap](http://achdidaho.org/stormdrainmap).



### HIRING A CONTRACTOR

Homeowner's associations can apply for a permit from ACHD to hire a bonded contractor to remove snow from residential streets. Visit [achdidaho.org/snowpermit](http://achdidaho.org/snowpermit) to learn more.



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## Ordinances and Codes

### ACHD ORDINANCE 190-10

#### **Snow Removal from Sidewalks**

Property owners and/or occupants should keep sidewalks adjacent to their property reasonably free of snow and ice.

### IDAHO CODE 18-3907

#### **Obstructions**

Prohibits placing an obstruction in a road, street or highway so as to cause or make any water to flow upon or impair the road, street or highway.

### BOISE CITY ORDINANCE SECTION 7-5-5

#### **Removing Snow Required**

Every owner of any building or vacant lot, and every person having the charge of any church, jail or public building in this City shall, during the time snow shall be on the ground, by nine o'clock (9:00) A.M. every morning, when necessary, clear the sidewalks and gutters in front of his property from snow, and keep conveniently free therefrom during the day, so as to allow citizens to use the sidewalks in an easy, safe and commodious manner. It shall be unlawful for any person to neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of this section. (1952 Code § 9-08-07; amd. 2019 Code)

### MERIDIAN CITY ORDINANCE SECTION 4-2

#### **Nuisance**

Snow or ice on any public sidewalk abutting or adjoining any privately owned premises is an abatable nuisance. It is unlawful for an owner, occupant, user or person in charge of any property to create, cause, commit, maintain or allow the existence of an abatable nuisance upon any sidewalk or public right-of-way. It is also unlawful for any person to create, cause, allow or commit any nuisance upon any public right-of-way or infrastructure including sidewalks, streets, gutters or storms drains.

### EAGLE CITY ORDINANCE SECTION 4-1

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### KUNA CITY ORDINANCE SECTION 7-1-8

#### **Sidewalk Maintenance by Owner**

B. Removal of debris, rubbish, trash or waste from sidewalk: Every owner or occupant of any building or vacant lot and every person having the charge of any church, jail or public building in this city abutting upon any sidewalk shall daily, or more often if required, keep the sidewalk in front of such premises clean from any and all debris, rubbish, trash or waste in a manner so as not to litter the street or adjoining sidewalk, and must do this before 9:00 a.m. each day.

### GARDEN CITY ORDINANCE SECTION 8-1C-3

#### **Property Maintenance Standards**

S. The owner(s) of land abutting any public street in the city shall be responsible for maintaining the sidewalk in good repair and free from hazards such as debris, weeds, cracks, or ice.



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