

BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
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Dear Resident,

As we are all trying to muddle through this very snowy winter, I want to commend all the residents in Glassboro for trying to help the highway department in their efforts to clear the roads throughout the Borough. As you might imagine, clearing the roads from a storm like we had in December is quite overwhelming. And because there are several weeks of winter still left, the Highway Department would like to just share the following information with you:

- When we are faced with a snow storm we request that you leave your car in the driveway until your road has been plowed curb to curb. This is for your safety and for the safety of your vehicle.
- Cars that are left in the street during a snow storm and while we are trying to plow, are subject to be ticketed under Ordinance # 445-51C (9).
- We recommend that you do not block the end of the driveway with your car because the plow does stick out further than the truck.
- Please be courteous to your neighbors when shoveling or using a snow blower and do not throw snow back into the street after it has been plowed.
- It is your responsibility, not the Borough's, to clear around your mailbox.
- Corner properties are required to clear the accessibility ramps or curb cuts under ADA laws.

Glassboro's Snow Policy---especially concerning Cul-de-sacs!

The Borough is divided into nine sections with a truck is assigned to each section. Primary streets are identified and plowed first allowing access to main arteries such as Delsea Drive, Route 322 and Route 55. (The Borough does not plow State or County roads, like Main Street.) These primary streets may be plowed several times during a working snow storm.

Secondary streets are plowed next giving access to the primary streets.

Cul-de-sacs are done last although a truck may pass into or out of a cul-de-sac leading to a secondary street. In lighter snow storms, cul-de-sacs are plowed using the smaller trucks. In heavier storms, we find it necessary to use backhoes and loaders so that the snow can be piled higher in designated areas away from driveways and mailboxes. Depending on the size and area for piling snow, it takes at least 30 minutes per cul-de-sac to clear the snow using this equipment.

The Borough has nearly 50 cul-de-sacs that need to be cleared. Each snow storm is different and can take our department 8 hours to 12 hours to clear the snow after the last flake has fallen. While making the final pass, the driver of each truck is instructed to plow as close to the curb as possible or as close to the curb that the residents allow.

In conclusion, I would like to say that it our pleasure to serve the Borough Residents to the best of our abilities. We take our jobs seriously and always strive to do it better. Please call us if you have any concerns.

Sincerely,

Russell Clark
Highway Superintendent