# SNOW REMOVAL

A Guide to Managing Winter Storms



THE LEHI CITY STREETS DIVISION'S PRIORITY IS TO PROVIDE THE SAFEST POSSIBLE DRIVING CONDITIONS. SNOW REMOVAL IS DEPENDENT ON A NUMBER OF FACTORS, INCLUDING THE TIMING AND DURATION OF A SNOWSTORM AND THE DENSITY OF THE SNOW. THIS GUIDE PROVIDES RESIDENTS WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM AND SETS EXPECTATIONS DURING AND AFTER A STORM.

## **SNOW CONDITIONS**

The Lehi City Streets Division makes it a priority to be responsive during and immediately after a storm. Response time to individual streets and neighborhoods will depend on several factors, including timing and duration of the storm.

#### **TIMING**

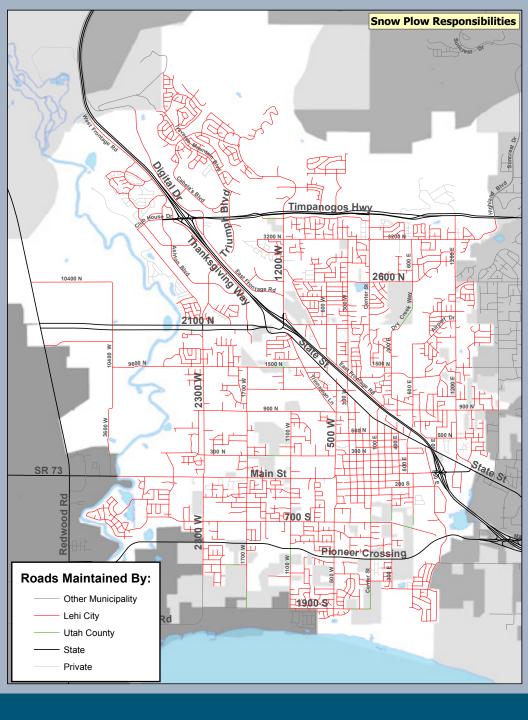
Crews will make every effort to keep major streets clear of snow and ice. Heavily traveled roads and bus routes will receive top priority to ensure everyone's safety. Once major commuter roads have been deemed safe for travel, secondary and side streets will be cleared.



During evening and early morning storms, crews should have ample time to prepare for commuting hours. Plows will continue to clean, treat, and widen roadways until reasonably safe conditions are met

## **DURATION**

The duration of a storm plays an important role in snow plowing operations. Storms of extended duration require all available resources to keep roads open over an extended period of time. A snow storm of four inches over a 24-hour period will require more time and man hours than a storm of six inches over an 8-hour period. Please keep in mind that plows are still hard at work well after the snow has stopped falling.



Not all roads are maintained by Lehi City. Private roads, state roads, and county roads will not be plowed by Lehi, but will be maintained by the respective group or organization.

# **SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITIES**

Snow removal crews are prepared to work 24 hours a day from November 1 to March 30. In order to ensure the safest travel conditions possible, snow removal routes are prioritized by the amount of traffic received.

Priority 1 Roads	Main arterial roads with the most traffic, including those with school and bus routes.
Priority 2 Roads	Other main roads that may see significant traffic or be an area of public safety concern.
Priority 3 Roads	Residential areas.
Priority 4 Roads	Subdivisions, cul-de-sacs, and end streets (after 4 inches of snow or more).
UDOT Roads	Redwood Road, Main Street, State Street, 2100 North, Timpanogos Highway.

The City's first priority is to keep main roads open and passable. Plows will continue to clean, treat and widen roadways until reasonably safe conditions are met. During heavy snowstorms, it is unlikely that residential roads will be reached immediately because main roads must be repeatedly plowed.

## **PARKING**

Lehi City code prohibits parking vehicles, trucks, trailers, RVs or ATVs on any public street from November 1 to March 30, between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. In addition, parking on the street during or within 24 hours after a snow storm is prohibited.

The snow plows used for snow removal are large and difficult to maneuver around obstacles. Failure to remove vehicles during a storm may result in unintended damage to the snow plow and your personal vehicle. Please assist snow removal crews in keeping your roads cleared by following these parking restrictions.

## SNOW REMOVAL RESPONSIBILITIES

### RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITIES DURING A STORM



Property owners are responsible for removing snow in the following areas:

- driveway openings
- sidewalks adjacent to their property
- · around fire hydrants
- around mailboxes

Please remember that shoveling, plowing, or blowing snow into the street is prohibited by city ordinance. The city right-of-way for snow storage extends nine feet from the curb. Landscaping and personal property within the right-of-way is installed at the property owner's risk

Please ensure that all obstructions are removed during and immediately following a storm (e.g. vehicles and trash containers).

### CITY RESPONSIBILITIES DURING A STORM

Crews will remove snow as soon as possible with the following priorities in mind:

 Clear main arterial roads with the most traffic first, followed by the roads with less traffic.

 Clear roads that pose the highest risk to public safety followed by those with a low risk to public safety.

 Remove snow from residential areas once priority roads are clear and safe for travelers.

 Subdivisions, cul-de-sacs, and end streets will not be plowed until four inches of snow or more has accumulated.





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