



2024/2025 Sidewalk Snow and Ice Removal Inspection Program Details Announced



DPIE reminds residents and businesses that owners, tenants and managers of residential and commercial properties with paved sidewalks adjacent to their properties are responsible for ensuring that sidewalks are cleared of snow and ice.

Ensuring that public sidewalks are cleared of snow and ice is an important safety and accessibility consideration for pedestrians: young children, students who walk to school, senior citizens and people with ambulatory disabilities. Prince George's County Code Section 23-150 mandates that responsible parties remove accumulated snow and ice from abutting sidewalks within 48 hours after snow has fallen or ice has accumulated to a depth of two or more inches.

Failing to clear sidewalks within 24 hours of the end of a major snow event will lead to the issuance of a reminder notice by a DPIE inspector. After another 24-hour period, the inspector will conduct a second inspection. If the snow and ice has not been cleared within the designated 48 hours following the end of a major snow event, a citation will be issued with a fine of \$100 per day. Additional citations and fines may be issued for subsequent 24-hour periods until the snow and ice are cleared.

The County has the authority to hire a contractor to clear sidewalks and fine the responsible parties.

Areas of primary focus include sidewalks adjacent to commercial establishments and apartment/condominium complexes; along roadways within 1.5 miles of a school; along State highways and County roadways; those reported to PGC311; and those abutting major public gathering places, such as churches, assembly halls, etc.

For more information, visit the [Sidewalk Snow and Ice Removal Inspection Program page](#) on the DPIE website.