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## **SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL ON TOWN SIDEWALKS**

**PURCELLVILLE, Va. February 7, 2018** — During the winter season, the Town of Purcellville depends on its citizens and businesses to be helpful, responsible, and aware of the need to remove all snow and ice from the public sidewalks including walks and ramps leading to crosswalks.

Many Town residents, including children walking to school, need to be able to safely use the public sidewalks. This means that all snow and ice should be removed from the entire constructed width of the public sidewalk. This enables citizens of all ages to have access to clean and safe pedestrian walkways. Although there is an ordinance ([Sec. 70-81](#)) regarding snow removal that identifies the responsibilities of citizens and businesses in removing snow from sidewalks, clearing snow and ice from sidewalks should simply be looked upon as a combination of courtesy and caring toward all those who need to use the public walkways. Your help will allow Town crews to focus on the roadways to ensure that they are cleared for emergency vehicle traffic.

The Town reminds property owners or occupants to:

- **Remove all snow and ice which has accumulated on the adjacent public sidewalk within six (6) hours after the snow has ceased falling, unless accumulation has occurred overnight, then it shall be removed before 12:00 noon on the following day.** Immediately after the accumulation of ice on a sidewalk, it must be removed or treated with sand, salt or other substance to prevent it from being slippery.
- Please **exercise caution and care when shoveling**, especially during extreme cold.

### **The Town of Purcellville, Virginia**

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 9,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at [www.purcellvilleva.gov](http://www.purcellvilleva.gov).

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