

RESOLUTION NO. 07-12-05

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2007 SNOW PLOWING POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF
MAHOMET, ILLINOIS, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the document entitled "2007 SNOW PLOWING POLICY", be approved.

SECTION 2. That the Village President and Village Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the attached document entitled, "2007 SNOW PLOWING POLICY", in substantially the same form as approved in Section 1 above.

PASSED: December 18, 2007

APPROVED: Laura Brauning
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST: Cheryl Spivey
VILLAGE CLERK

Village of Mahomet Snow Plowing / Removal and Ice Control Policy

1.) Introduction

The Village of Mahomet President and Board of Trustees believe that it is in the best interest of Village residents that the Village assume basic responsibility for control of snow and ice on Village streets. Reasonable ice and snow control is necessary for routine travel and emergency services. The Village will provide such control safely, keeping in mind safety, budget, personnel and environmental concerns. The Village will use Village employees, equipment, and/or private contractors to provide this service.

2.) When Village will start snow and ice removal

The Transportation Superintendent will decide when to begin snow or ice control operations. The criteria for that decision are:

- A. Snow accumulation of two (2) inches or more;
- B. Drifting of snow that causes problems for travel;
- C. Icy conditions that seriously affect travel;
- D. Time of snowfall in relationship to heavy street use.

Snow and ice control operations are expensive and involve the use of limited personnel and equipment. Consequently, snowplowing will not generally be conducted for snowfall of less than two (2) inches.

3.) How snow will be plowed

Streets will be plowed considering ways to reduce any traffic obstructions caused by plowing. The center of the roadway will be plowed first. Snow shall then be pushed from left to right. The discharge shall go onto the boulevard area of the street unless otherwise specified. When a plow goes on a bridge or overpass, the driver shall slow down so that snow does not go over the bridge if possible. In times of extreme snowfall, streets will not always immediately be completely cleared of snow.

4.) Snow Removal

The Transportation Superintendent will determine when snow shall be removed by truck from the area. Such snow removal will occur in areas where there is no room on the boulevard for snow storage and in areas where accumulated piles of snow create a hazardous condition.

Snow removal operations will not commence until other snowplowing operations have been completed. Snow removal operations may also be delayed depending on weather conditions, personnel and budget availability. The snow storage area will be located so as to reduce environmental problems.

5.) Priorities and schedule for which streets will be plowed

The Village has classified Village streets based on the street function, traffic volume, and importance to the welfare of the community. Those streets classified as arterial and will be plowed first. These are high volume streets that connect major sections of the Village and provide access for emergency fire, police and medical services. The following is a list of streets with a number corresponding to the priority of which the streets will be plowed:

1. Arterial
2. Collector
3. Sub-collector
4. Cul-de-sac street
5. Cul-de-sac radius
6. Alleys

6.) Work schedule for snowplowing operators

Snowplow operators will be expected to work eight (8) hour shifts. In severe snow emergencies, operators sometimes have to work more than eight (8) hours per shift. However, because of budget and safety concerns, no operator should work more than a twelve (12) hour shift in any twenty-four (24) hour period, unless approved by the Mayor, Village Administrator or Transportation Superintendent. Operators will take a fifteen minute break every two hours. After a twelve (12) hour day, the operators will be replaced if additional qualified personnel are available. The Transportation Superintendent shall make every effort to insure that adequate replacement personnel are available.

7.) Weather conditions

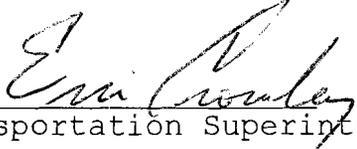
Snow and ice control operations will be conducted only when weather conditions do not endanger the safety of the Village employees and equipment. Factors that may delay snow and ice control operations include; severe cold, significant winds and limited visibility. The Mayor, Administrator and Transportation Superintendent will decide when these conditions are severe enough to restrict or end operations.

8.) Use of sand, salt and other chemicals

The Village will use sand, salt and other chemicals when there is hazardous ice or slippery conditions. The Village is concerned about the effect of such chemicals on the environment and will limit its use for that reason.

9.) Sidewalks and Parking lots

The Village will plow some sidewalks and parking lots in the Village and will keep a listing of those sidewalks and parking lots. Sidewalks and parking lots will be plowed after the streets have been plowed.

Approval: 
Transportation Superintendent

Approval: 
Village President

Effective Date: 12/18/07

Revision History:

Attachments: Snow Routes
Sidewalks

Village of Mahomet
Snow Plowing / Removal and Ice Control Policy
Parking Lot and Sidewalk Maintenance List

Village Administrative Offices
Police Department
Water Treatment Plant
Wastewater Treatment Plant
Mahomet Community Center
Public Works Department
Sanitary Lift Stations