

## PARKING BAN



During a declared snow emergency/ parking ban, there is **NO** on-street parking in the Town of Brookline. This includes all parking meters regardless of Town issued parking permits or handicap placards or plates. All unauthorized vehicles remaining on the street or in the public lots will be issued citations and towed by the Brookline Police Department.

\*Residents with permits to park overnight in the Town- owned lots are not required to move their vehicles until 9am after the parking ban is lifted.

## STAY INFORMED



Sign up for **AlertBrookline**  
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Call the Seasonal Information Line for a recorded message at: **617-730-2610**



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Watch Brookline Interactive Group local access station 3, Municipal ch. 23/15

## REPORT A PROBLEM

To report a snow or ice issue on a street or sidewalk:



Download the **BrookONline app** on your smartphone



Visit [www.brooklinema.gov](http://www.brooklinema.gov) and click **"Report a Concern"**



Call **617-730-2156** during regular business hours:  
M-Th 8 am-5 pm, Fri 8 am-12:30 pm

 Report a power outage at  
[www.eversource.com](http://www.eversource.com) or 800-592-2000

## BROOKLINE WINTER REGULATIONS

Town of Brookline  
Department of Public Works  
870 Hammond Street  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467


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# WINTER GUIDE

for Brookline Property Owners, Businesses, and Residents



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
BROOKLINE, MA

**Erin Chute Gallentine,**  
*Commissioner of Public Works*  
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**During snowstorms, the Town removes snow and ice from roadways as efficiently and effectively as possible while keeping the roads open and essential traffic moving safely. For municipal crews to accomplish this goal community cooperation is required.**

New England winters often bring extreme cold, heavy snow, ice, and sleet, and can pose serious hazards. Every storm develops differently depending on temperature, wind, moisture content, snow accumulation per hour and duration. The DPW removes snow and ice from over 250 lane miles of roadway, 47 miles of sidewalk, 26 school and municipal properties, 15 public parking lots, and 33 public parks and paths. Major arterial roadways, hills and intersections are often treated before plow operations commence, usually after 2" of snow has fallen. Snow plowing operations remain underway until all roadways are cleared adequately for the safety of the traveling public.

Immediately after a storm, snow banks are pushed back to the curb line, and in some cases removed, in order to provide for adequate storage space for future storms. Please consider this timetable when clearing your driveway, front walkway, and sidewalks, so that you may not be disappointed when a snowplow passes by after the snow has stopped falling.

*Please be considerate of the huge responsibility that DPW employees have before, during and after each storm.*

## TRASH & RECYCLING

To keep your trash and recycling service running smoothly during the snow season, please follow the tips below:

- \* Shovel a path for recycling and waste carts.
- \* Make sure carts are clear of snow and ice.
- \* Place carts close to the street. Carts will not be picked up behind snow banks.
- \* Leave a 12-inch space on either side of the recycling and waste carts to provide easy access for the trucks' automated arms.
- \* Loose recycling and waste will not be picked up unless placed in the recycling and waste carts.

### PLEASE DO THIS



### NOT THIS



## SNOW REMOVAL: IT'S THE LAW

Brookline's bylaws require property owners to "maintain sidewalks contiguous to their property in a non-slippery condition suitable for pedestrian travel by clearing all snow and ice from a pathway at least thirty-six (36) inches in width".

The cleared walk must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, including the removal of snow and ice from any adjoining wheelchair ramps or curb cuts. Please help all members of our community move safely through Town.

- \* Single-family and multi-family residences (of 4 families/units or less) must comply with this bylaw within 30 hours of a storm's end.
- \* Commercial properties and multi-family residences (of 5 families/units or more) must comply within 3 hours of a storm's end or within 3 hours after sunrise if the storm ends overnight.

The storm's end time will be posted on the Town's website: [www.brooklinema.gov/dpw](http://www.brooklinema.gov/dpw).

**If a property owner does not clear the side walk(s) contiguous to their property, notice will be given to the owner. If you fail to comply with the Town's sidewalk bylaw, you could be issued fines ranging from \$100-\$250 per day.**

## SNOW REMOVAL TIPS

- 1 If physically limited or out of town, it is still the property owner's responsibility to make arrangements to clear the sidewalk.
- 2 Clear openings at intersections and crosswalks so pedestrians can cross safely.
- 3 Apply ice-melt (CaCl<sub>2</sub> or KCl) frequently to prevent snow from packing down and forming ice.
- 4 Help the Public Safety Department by clearing catch basins and snow covered fire hydrants adjacent to your property.



**Snow Emergency Information:**  
**617-730-2610**  
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