

HOW TO DEAL WITH SNOW AND ICE

DIRECT ACTION WITH PROPERTY OWNERS

Often on-site building managers have a direct phone. These are listed on the signs listing open houses and available apartments. If you are not comfortable contacting the owner or manager, you can contact the Pedestrian Safety Committee, and they will help. Give details in an e-mail message to prospectsafety@c7r.com.

The Milwaukee City website includes neighborhood and street information. If you know the street address, the City Assessor's site can identify the owner. Visit city.milwaukee.gov — click on "Get Property Information" in the left column. Or see <http://milwaukee.gov/MapMilwaukee3480.htm> for maps which show property boundaries and links to ownership details.

As the next snow season approaches, the PAA Pedestrian Safety Committee has plans to contact major property owners in the area to ask for their cooperation in keeping area sidewalks clear.

CITY OF MILWAUKEE RULES

The Milwaukee Sanitation Department takes telephone calls about snow removal on both public and private property. Their phone is 286-8282. Bypass the phone tree by pressing 0 to talk to a person.

The following removal rules are from: <http://www.mpw.net/pages/sidesnow.htm>

Sidewalk Snow Removal

Private Property, residential or commercial property owners and occupants are required to clear the sidewalks abutting their property of snow or ice within 24 hours after the snow and ice have stopped falling. This includes the corner crosswalk area for property owners with corner lots or those whose property abuts a midblock crosswalk. Violators of this ordinance who are reported to Sanitation districts are issued a notice to clear the walk. If the sidewalks still are not clear within another 24 hours, a Sanitation crew will clear a path on the walk, and the charge will appear on the property tax bill. The city is responsible for only the approaches to alleys; alleys are not plowed.

Public Sidewalks and Crosswalks Sanitation services is responsible for clearing crosswalks of excessive amounts of snow due to plowing. Public sidewalks are cleared following street cleanup after a storm. Because the crews who drive snow plows also operate sidewalk and bus stop cleanup equipment, these operations begin after street plowing is finished. City properties and those with hardship exception cases are plowed first, then crosswalks and alley openings are cleared. It generally takes up to three days to complete a sidewalk operation.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

The county makes contact information for the Parks Department difficult to obtain. The web site directs visitors to a web page which they can fill in, but it then must be printed out and mail to the County.

For more prompt action, contact Gerry Broderick, our County Supervisor, at 278-4237 or send e-mail to [E-Mail Supervisor Broderick](mailto:Gerry.Broderick@milwaukee.gov).