

**SEC. 4-2-7 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL**

- (a) **Removal From Sidewalks.** The owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot which fronts upon or adjoins any sidewalk shall keep said sidewalk clear of all snow and ice. In the event of snow accumulating on said sidewalk due to natural means and/or by any other means, said sidewalks shall be cleared of all accumulated snow and/or ice within twenty-four (24) hours from the time the snow ceases to accumulate on said sidewalk. Sidewalks are to be kept clear of snow and ice to a minimum of four (4) feet in width. In the event that ice has formed on any sidewalk in such a manner that it cannot be removed, the owner, occupant or person in charge of the parcel or lot which fronts upon or adjoins said sidewalk shall keep the sidewalk sprinkled with sand and/or salt to permit safe travel by pedestrians.
- (b) **Notice and Removal of Snow from Sidewalks.** If the owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot which fronts upon or adjoins any sidewalk shall fail to keep said sidewalk clear of snow and ice as set forth in Subsection (a), the Director of Public Works or Village law enforcement officers shall take the following action:
- (1) Hazardous Conditions. If the Director of Public Works or Village law enforcement officer determines that the failure to remove the snow and ice from the sidewalk creates an immediate danger to the public health and/or safety, he shall cause the issuance of a written notice to the owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot directing that the snow and ice be removed within two (2) hours from the delivery of the notice. In the event the property owner, occupant or person in charge of said parcel or lot is unavailable to received a written notice, the Director of Public Works or police officer shall immediately cause the removal of the snow and/or ice. The Director of Public Works or police officer shall send a written notice to the last-known address of the property owner notifying him that a hazardous condition existed which required immediately abatement.
  - (2) Non-Hazardous Conditions. If the owner, occupant or person in charge of the subject parcel or lot fails to remove the snow within the time period established in Subsection (a), the Director of Public Works or police officer shall cause the issuance of a written notice to said owner, occupant or person in charge of the subject parcel or lot directing the responsible person (as defined) to remove said snow and ice no later than 12:00 Noon of the day following the issuance of said notice. The written notice shall be hand delivered when possible or mailed to the last-known address of the owner of the *subject* property as identified on the records in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's office.

- (3) Snow and Ice Not to Encroach. No person shall push, shove or in any way deposit any snow or ice onto any public streets, alley, sidewalk or public lands dedicated to public use except for parcels or lots located where existing buildings are constructed within five (5) feet of the street right-of-way and the sidewalks exist from the Village right-of-way to the curb line. In such instances, the owners, occupants and/or employees of parcels or lots shall be permitted to deposit snow and ice from their sidewalks onto the public streets.
- (c) **Enforcement.** The Director of Public Works, his designees and all law enforcement officers are hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this Section.
- (d) **Continued Violations.** Each twenty-four (24) hour period where a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense under this Section for enforcement purposes. Repeated violations or subsequent additional accumulations of snow and/or ice shall not nullify any pending notice issued under this Section.
- (e) **Abatement After Notice.** Failure of the owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot to cause the removal of snow and/or ice within the time established under Subsection (b)(1) and (2) after receiving a written notice shall result in the Director of Public Works causing the removal of said snow and/or ice.
- (f) **Expense.** An account of the expenses incurred by the Village to abate the snow and/or ice hazard shall be kept and such expenses shall be charged to and paid by the parcel or lot owner. Notice of the bill for the removal of snow and/or ice shall be mailed to the last-known address of the owner of the parcel or lot and shall be payable within ten (10) calendar days from the receipt thereof. Within sixty (60) days after such costs and expenses are incurred and remain unpaid, the Village Clerk-Treasurer shall enter those charges onto the tax roll as a special tax as provided by Sec. 66.615(5), Wis. Stats.
- (g) **Penalty.** In addition to the provisions set forth in this Section, any person, firm or corporation which violates the provisions of this Section shall be subject to a penalty as provided in Section 1-1-6 of this Code of Ordinances.

State Law Reference: Sections 66.60(16) and 66.615(3)(f) and (5), Wis. Stats.