

City of Cherry Hills Village Snow Removal Plan

The goal of the City of Cherry Hills Village is to provide snow removal services to all City streets within 12 hours after the snow has stopped falling. *This time estimate is based on an average snow of four inches or less.*

Snow removal crews work directly with police, fire, paramedics and utility providers to provide immediate access to any location where an actual life-threatening emergency exists.

To report a snow-related problem during normal working hours, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. please call 303-789-2541 or 303-783-2731. For snow emergencies after business hours or during weekends or holidays, you may call the Arapahoe County Dispatcher at 303-795-4711. For the latest information regarding any snow emergency, call our Snow Emergency Hotline at 303-783-2754.

The following streets are priority streets in regard to snow removal: Quincy Ave, Clarkson St, Franklin St from Quincy to Belleview, Layton Ave from Quincy to Belleview, Colorado Blvd, Mansfield Ave from Colorado Blvd to Dahlia St, Oxford Ave from Dahlia St east, Dahlia St from Colorado Blvd to Quincy, Holly Street from Belleview to Quincy, and Happy Canyon Rd. These streets provide access for emergency vehicles to all locations within the City during a snowstorm. The Colorado Department of Transportation maintains Hampden Ave, University Blvd and Belleview Ave.

A map showing the progress of snow removal efforts is maintained at the Village Center administration office and on our website. The map will be updated as conditions allow and during regular business hours and during snow emergencies. Should you have any questions regarding the status of any street, feel free to contact the Village Center at 303-789-2541 during regular business hours.

There are several distinct steps in the Snow Removal Plan. Each step has a purpose and the number of steps put into operation is dependent on the intensity and duration of the snowstorm.

The City's priority is to keep the major streets (the streets listed above) open to permit emergency vehicles to reach all parts of the City without delay and to facilitate citizen transportation on those streets. The second priority is to clear the snow from all residential streets. The third priority is to remove snow from all paved trails. The fourth priority is to sweep the sand from the streets.

First Action: If the forecast for snow is a 50 percent chance or greater, the City will apply liquid de-icer to intersections, hills and curves. This will provide for the melting of snow for the beginning of the snow event.

Second Action: When snow has started to accumulate on the streets, the plow trucks will plow and sand all of the major streets for the duration of the storm. When conditions allow, additional liquid de-icer will be used.

Third Action: Once the snow has stopped falling, the City will begin the removal of snow from all City streets. The City has developed a rotation system for snow removal. The City is divided into four sections (see map above). Each section contains approximately the same street lane miles. In the first snowstorm of the year, section one is cleared first followed by sections two, three, and four. In the second storm, section two is cleared first, followed by sections three, four and one. This rotation continues throughout the winter so that all parts of the City have the opportunity to be plowed first and no area is always last.

In case of a blizzard, the City's Emergency Operations will provide round-the-clock service to residents, emergency responder agencies (police, fire, and paramedic), and utility providers. Streets will be plowed following the snow removal plan and including emergency response and clearing for utility crews. Any questions or concerns can be directed to 303-789-2541 (during normal business hours) or a message may be left with the Public Works Director at 303-783-2731. If there is a medical emergency, please contact 911. Our Snow Emergency Hotline at 303-783-2754 will be available with information to report power outages and any information regarding snow emergencies.

The Colorado Department of Transportation plows and sands E. Belleview Ave, E. Hampden Ave and S. University Blvd. Only during extreme conditions or by request of the Police Department does the City assist with these streets.

Fourth Action: When weather allows, the streets that have been treated with sand will be swept to help assist in the reduction of particulate matter in the air. Not all streets will be swept. The focus will be on the main streets and then on the residential streets.