



Olmsted Township Snow Removal FAQs

Q) Why do the Townships snowplows push snow into my driveway apron and who is responsible for clearing it?

A) Unfortunately, it cannot be helped; trucks angle the blades on their snowplows to move the snow off the centerline of the road towards the berm and curb. The snow must be removed from the traveled portion of the road for public safety. Snow left in driveway aprons by the Township during snow fighting operations is the residents' and property owners' responsibility to remove. We understand and apologize for the inconvenience it causes you, however given the weight and configuration of the equipment used the process does not allow for select placement of snow that is coming off the street.

Q) Why doesn't the township clean my driveway apron?

A) There are over 3500 driveway aprons in the Township. The time and cost to clean all driveway aprons is prohibitive. With 44 center lane miles of roads to plow, it takes the Township 3 hours to complete one trip around town. The Township does not have the resources to return and clear drive aprons where snow was left after plowing the streets. It is the property owner or occupant's responsibility to keep the sidewalk free from snow, ice or any nuisance.

Q) Can snow from my driveway be blown or plowed into the street?

A) Snow may not be pushed or blown into the street from private property, nor may it be pushed onto your neighbor's property. Please remind your snowplow service that they are not permitted to push snow onto the street, across the street or onto any property where it did not fall.