

## Town of Frisco Public Works Department

P.O. Box 4100 · Frisco, Colorado 80443

To: All Snow Removal Contractors Subject: Guidelines for Snow Removal Operations by Private Contractors

In response to recent inquiries and feedback regarding the operations of private snow removal contractors, the Public Works Department is providing this communication to clarify the standards and procedures required during snow removal activities. This notice is intended to ensure that all private contractors operate in strict compliance with Chapter 127-38 of the Town Code: *Operation of Snow Removal Equipment by Private Operators*.

We strongly encourage you to review the ordinance in its entirety. Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in fines, citations, or other enforcement actions. Below, we highlight key provisions and frequently addressed concerns:

## **Snow Storage and Use of Town Property**

Many questions have been received regarding the storage of snow and the interaction with Town property and rights-of-way. Specifically, Section B of the ordinance states:

It shall be unlawful for any person, business, or corporation to push or deposit snow or ice upon any street, sidewalk, alley, right-of-way or other public property or any portion thereof.

This prohibition includes the practice of pushing snow across Town rights-of-way to consolidate or relocate deposits.

## **Use of Town Pathways**

It has also been observed that some contractors are using Town pathways to transport equipment between areas. Please be reminded that these pathways are reserved for authorized vehicles only. Unauthorized vehicles must use the public roadways in accordance with applicable traffic laws.

For your convenience, please find below the full text of § 127-38. Operation of Snow Removal Equipment by Private Operators:

**A.** It is the duty of the occupant, owner, or tenant of any lot, tract, or parcel of real estate, whether vacant or occupied, within the Town of Frisco to keep sidewalks contiguous thereto reasonably free from the accumulation of snow and ice and to remove the same promptly.

**B.** It shall be unlawful for any person, business, or corporation to push or deposit snow or ice upon any street, sidewalk, alley, right-of-way, or other public property or any portion thereof.

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- C. The Chief of Police or the Director of Public Works, or any other officer or employee designated by either, may notify and require any person who violates or causes another to violate these provisions to remove such snow or ice within 24 hours of being notified.
- **D.** The person or persons responsible for any offense within the Town shall be liable for and bear all costs and expenses associated with the abatement of said offense.
- **E.** Snowplow operators shall not deposit snow in any area where such deposit would impede the vision of any motor vehicle operator on a public street or right-of-way.
- **F.** Snowplow operators shall not deposit snow or ice on any other private property without the written permission of the property owner to which the snow will be deposited and approval from the Town.
- **G.** Snowplow operators shall ensure that their vehicles are equipped with proper lighting (headlights, taillights, and any other safety lighting required by law) while engaged in plowing operations.

(Ord. No. 79-20, 8-27-79; Ord. No. 90-06, 4-3-90)

The Town's designated rights-of-way are intended exclusively for roadway snow storage to ensure effective snow removal and public safety. Misuse of these areas may compromise the efficiency of operations and create hazards for the community.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification regarding these guidelines, please do not hesitate to contact us at **ashleyh@townoffrisco.com**.

Thank you for your prompt attention and cooperation in this matter.