

Chardon Township Snow Removal FAQ's

Q: How does Chardon Township decide which roads are plowed first?

A: Each driver has a set route. The route is plowed in order of priority, high traffic volume, roads first as well as roads with treacherous hills and curves. Then the focus shifts to cul-de-sac roads and secondary roadways. Since each driver has a set route, they navigate the roads in a manner as to eliminate wasted drive time. Each driver's mapped-out route makes their snow removal operation as efficient and effective as possible.

Q: Can the plow truck remove more snow from in front of my mailbox/driveway apron?

A: Each driver does their best to remove as much snow from the roadway as possible. We make conscious effort to give access for mail cars and residents to enter and exit the roadway as safely as possible. Due to the nature of how a snowplow moves snow toward the berm, it sometimes causes an inconvenience to our residents when the snow ends up in their driveway apron.

Q: Why won't the township plow my driveway apron?

A: There are simply too many driveway aprons within the township. The time and cost of doing so would leave no time for the road crews to plow the roads themselves. Again, each driver makes conscious effort and navigates their plow truck in a way to reduce the amount of snow in driveway aprons.

Q: Can I snow blow/plow my snow into the roadway?

A: No. Any hazard placed into the roadway is unlawful. Snow piles in the roadway cause a safety hazard to the traveling public. During your own personal snow removal process, we ask that you consider and recognize that where you place your snow is important. Please keep the snow from your driveway on your property.

Q: Why does my mailbox keep getting taken down every time the township plows?

A: There are many reasons why this could be happening. We are human and we make mistakes. Don't worry, call us and we will discuss what we can do to help. It is also important to consider where you are piling your snow. A snow pile next to your mailbox can mean more snow and heavier snow is impacting your mailbox when we pass by to plow the roadway. The same goes for the other side of your driveway apron. If there is snow piled on the side of your apron toward traffic flow, when we pass by with the plow down it can force that same snow right back into your driveway apron. Please leave as much snow as possible further into your property.

Q: What can I do to help reduce the damage to my mailbox?

A: Snow guards are an effective way to reduce the damage to your mailbox. We have found that the best snow guards are mounted on a post separate from the mailbox post, at least 1 FT ahead of the mailbox and have wood attached to them is just enough to deaden the blow when our trucks pass by removing snow. Typically, a single 4"x4" wood post at least 2' into the ground with two 2"x6" boards attached to it just below the height of your mailbox does the trick and makes for easy removal in the springtime.

Q: Who do I call with questions or concerns?

A: Call the Chardon Township Road Department anytime at 440-285-9002