

## IF YOU BECOME SNOWBOUND

- Stay in your vehicle and wait for help to find you.
- Make sure exhaust pipe is clear of snow.
- Keep vehicle window slightly open.
- Run engine for short periods of time to stay warm.
- Hang brightly colored cloth on antenna and turn on flashing lights when possible.
- Turn on dome light at night to signal rescuers.
- Do minor exercises to keep up circulation.
- If more than one person is in vehicle, take turns sleeping and huddle together for warmth.



## HOME SAFETY

- Do not blow or shovel snow from driveway or sidewalks into the street. It is a hazard to all vehicles.
- Be aware that snow shoveling is a strenuous activity made worse by extremely cold temperatures. Older residents and those in ill health should not shovel. Prior to a snow storm, make arrangements with someone to shovel for you.
- Neutralize ice on a short term basis with kitty litter to improve traction. Use rock salt and calcium chloride pellets for long term ice build up.
- Check home smoke detectors and fire extinguishers.
- Always have enough home heating fuel.
- After a snowfall, please clear all fire hydrants of snow accumulation.

## WINTER WEATHER TERMS

**WINTER STORM WATCH** - Severe winter weather may affect our area.

**WINTER STORM WARNING** - Severe winter weather conditions are definitely on the way.

**BLIZZARD WARNING** - Large amount of falling or blowing snow and winds of at least 35 miles per hour are expected to last for several hours.

**WIND CHILL** - Wind chills of minus 30 degrees Fahrenheit or lower will cause frostbite on exposed skin in a very short period of time.

**FROSTBITE** - Symptoms include a loss of feeling and a white or pale appearance. Fingers, toes, nose and ear lobes are most quickly affected.

**HYPOTHERMIA** - Symptoms include uncontrollable shivering, slow speech, memory lapses, frequent stumbling and drowsiness. If either frostbite or hypothermia is suspected, slowly warm the victim and seek immediate medical assistance. Never give a frostbite or hypothermia victim a sedative or alcohol.

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# WHEN A SNOW STORM IS IN THE FORECAST



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# A Message From Town Supervisor **JOSEPH SALADINO**

Dear Neighbor,

No matter how great an accumulation of snow winter may bring, we in the Town of Oyster Bay remain prepared. Town roads are cleared quickly and efficiently, and we are all able to go about the business of daily living within a reasonable amount of time.



For information regarding snow clearing operations on Town-maintained roads or other emergency operations, please call the Town's Highway Division at (516) 677-5757.

For information regarding snow clearing operations on incorporated village-maintained roads, contact your local village hall.

For information regarding snow clearing operations on Nassau County-maintained roads, call the Nassau County Department of Public Works at (516) 571-6900.

For information regarding snow clearing operations on State-maintained roads, call the State Transportation Department "Information System" at (631) 904-3050.

We are hoping for a mild winter. But, just in case Mother Nature doesn't oblige, be sure to keep these safety tips handy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Joseph J. Saladino'.

**JOSEPH SALADINO**  
Town Supervisor

## WHEN A SNOW STORM IS IN THE FORECAST

The Highway Division of The Department of Public Works is prepared with over 12,000 tons combined of sand and salt on hand. The Town of Oyster Bay Snow-Fighting Fleet includes more than 290 plow/salt trucks, pick-ups with plows and sanders, pay loaders and other equipment that cover nearly 730 center land miles throughout the town.

Highway Supervisors monitor the snowplowing operation to determine when plows are down and where trucks are operating in order to ensure we are working at full capacity to make roadways safer for our residents as quickly and efficiently as possible, while also safeguarding the safety of our Snow-Fighting Crew.



## SNOW CONTROL CENTRAL

The Highway Department has 730 center lane miles of roadways to plow. Of the 730 miles of roadway, it is divided into 167 maps. These maps are then collected at the end of the storm, providing a complete history of all snow operations.

## HELPFUL TIPS

- When the Town Supervisor declares a snow emergency, we ask that you please remove your cars from the roadways, wherever possible, so that crews can effectively clear the snow from the roadways.
- Remove all obstacles from the roadway and utility strip (grass strip between the curb and sidewalk) this includes all sports equipment: hockey/soccer nets, basketball hoops and skateboard ramps and rails. Removing these items will help protect the safety of the snowplow operators and will help eliminate any damage to your property.
- As a homeowner, you must clear your sidewalk from snow to ensure it is safe for pedestrian travel. If you use a snow blower, we ask that you face the chute opposite the roadway (front lawn side). Cooperation is essential for this to alleviate the issue of re-plowing a road that has since been plowed.
- When a snowstorm strikes, avoid driving. If you must drive, fill your gas tank and stock your vehicle with blankets, a shovel, flashlight and batteries, quick energy foods, a brightly colored cloth to use as a flag, booster cables, windshield scraper, set of tire chains, distress flares, first aid kit and a small bag of sand to generate traction. Let someone know your travel plans and estimated time of arrival.
- Use caution at intersections. When heat emanates from an idling car, snow melts and then turns into icy patches, in-turn causing an accident if the motorist is not paying attention.

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