



Winter Safety Tips

From Huron County Road Commission

For Motorists

- ❄ Always wear your seatbelt and allow extra time to reach your destination;
- ❄ Do your best to minimize distractions so your focus can be on driving;
- ❄ Don't attempt to pass a snow plow vehicle while they are plowing;
- ❄ NEVER attempt to pass a snow plow on the right. Many plows are equipped with wings that weigh as much as a small compact car;
- ❄ Plows can suddenly move sideways from hitting drifts or by cutting through packed snow;
- ❄ Plow drivers have limited visibility and they cannot see directly behind their trucks; and
- ❄ Always remember, **SNOWPLOWS NEED ROOM TO GROOM!**

For Property Owners

- ❄ Don't plow snow across the road or shovel snow from your driveway onto shoulders or roadways;
- ❄ Don't pile snow high near intersections or driveways obstructing others vision;
- ❄ Park vehicles away from the road and follow local parking ordinances related to snow removal;

- ❄️ Keep rocks, timbers, fences, basketball hoops, garbage bins, reflectors, and other items away from the road;
- ❄️ Keep areas around mailboxes clear in order to assist in safe mail delivery and to help prevent damage to mailboxes;
- ❄️ Maintaining the end of your driveway could decrease chances of getting plowed in, or having your mailbox damaged, see “[Clearing Your Driveway](#)” link.
- ❄️ Keep sidewalks and pathways clear for pedestrians.

For Children

- ❄️ Never build snow forts, make tunnels, or play in ditches or snow banks by the road;
- ❄️ Stay away from the edge of the roadway as you wait for the school bus, get the mail, or watch the snow plow;
- ❄️ Stay away from the end of a driveway when a snow plow is approaching; ❄️ Keep sleds and toys away from the roadways at all times; and
- ❄️ Remember, the plow driver can't always see you.