

## Snow Plowing Notice

Winter weather is upon us and the Wilbur Public Works Department reminds the public of its policy for snow plowing.

1. Wilbur Public Works sands and snowplows within town limits. Priority guideline for plowing and/or sanding roads is as follows: major arterials, major and minor collectors, and the balance of the system. School bus routes on the above classifications will receive first priority status when school is in session. Deviations to this priority guideline may occur to allow the best utilization of available personnel and equipment.

2. Typically, crews begin plowing at 5 a.m. Public Works does not plow roads during a winter storm event except in emergency situations. An emergency situation is defined as only situations where fire, police, emergency medical services are called upon to respond quickly to prevent harm to or loss of human life or property.

**3. Paved roads will not be plowed until there is an accumulation of 4" or more.**

4. During periods of drifting snow, roads will be patrolled, and plowing will take place at the discretion of the mayor and public works supervisor.

5. Steep grades will be sanded at the discretion of Public Works.

6. Town equipment is not to be used to extract stuck private vehicles except in emergency situations. An emergency situation is described as an individual needing immediate medical attention or an individual being exposed to severe weather without assistance, etc. The only exception is when the private vehicle is blocking the roadway, preventing the snow equipment from proceeding. Towing and any damages will be at the vehicle owner's expense.

7. In accordance with the Laws of the State of Washington, private lanes will not be plowed except for emergency situations.

**8. Removal of snow berms left in front of driveways, mailboxes, etc. are the responsibility of the property owner/resident.**

9. The use of liquid de-icing agents and sanding will be at the discretion of Public Works. These applications may vary depending on temperature, wind conditions and duration of the weather event.

10. Residents and business owners are reminded that State Law 47.32.130 prohibits placing snow or ice on Highway 2 (Main St.) or in the right of way or sufficiently close proximity to Hwy 2 in a manner that impedes vehicle or pedestrian traffic or makes it unsafe.

11. Town of Wilbur Ordinance 460 prohibits parking on Main Street between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m. to facilitate early plowing. Towing and any damages will be at the vehicle owner's expense.

The Town of Wilbur's primary objective is to keep roadways safe for travel. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call Wilbur Town Hall at 647-5821. A map of the Plowing Priority Streets is posted at Town Hall and online at [www.wilburwa.com](http://www.wilburwa.com).