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Although local bylaws require you to clear snow and ice from the sidewalk after the end of a snowfall, it's also the neighbourly thing to do. Be nice; clear your snow and ice.



## Follow these tips to keep your sidewalk clear. Shovel or plow the snow first.

- Clear the snow as soon as you can so a snowy sidewalk doesn't become an icy one.
- Do not use salt or de-icers to melt snow.
- Store unsalted snow where it won't melt on to paved areas.
- Do not shovel snow onto the road to comply with local bylaws.



## Treat icy patches only.

- Sprinkle salt or de-icer on icy areas only and give it time to work before clearing ice.
- Remove ice with a steel ice chopper.
- Follow salt or de-icer directions for working temperature and application rate.
- Create traction with non-clumping kitty litter or sand to reduce the potential to slip.

## Did you know? ...

- Chloride impacts water. Salt and many de-icers, including environmentally friendly products, contain chloride.
- Salt works best between 0° and -10° C.
- A little salt goes a long way. In many cases, about one tablespoon of salt for a one-metre square area is all you need.



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