

# VILLAGE OF BUCKINGHAM SPRINGS

## SNOW REMOVAL PROCEDURES



### Once accumulation reaches two (2) inches:

We will begin the process of clearing snow. The snowplow operators will first plow the main entrance and loop roads followed by side streets. Next, they will plow the clubhouse and the mail stations. This procedure may have to be repeated several times depending upon the accumulated amount of snow. If you choose to shovel your driveway and/or parking area prior to the snow removal being completed, please note that there is a good chance that additional snow will be plowed into driveways and parking areas. **Residents are responsible for clearing snow from their driveways, parking areas and walkways.**

A reasonable time to expect the plowing to be completed on normal snowfalls would be between two (2) and four (4) hours after the snow has stopped falling. After the community entrance, streets, clubhouse parking, mail stations and service roads are completed, the staff must then make all fire hydrants and storm drains accessible.

### If snow accumulation reaches more than six (6) inches:

After all common areas have been cleared our staff will help with excess snow that has accumulated at the ends of driveways and behind cars in the parking areas. **This assistance is not meant to replace the regular shoveling required by all residents.**

If you can move your car from your parking space while snow removal is in progress on your street, we will also plow your parking space. Parking spaces and driveways can only be plowed during daylight hours and cannot be done once it is dark. **We are unable to clear your space unless your car has been moved. Due to the large number of residents in the community, we cannot knock on doors, make appointments, or return at your convenience to plow your driveway.**

We will continue to clear parking spaces for three days after the storm. If you are not home or are unable to move your car while the plow is on your street clearing the ends of the parking spaces, you will need to make alternate arrangements for snow removal with a private contractor.

Snow removal in a community this large is very time consuming. We cannot guarantee when we will be able to get to all the parking areas. This process may take several days depending on the conditions and the amount of accumulation.

**Additional guidelines:**

- 1) Do not shovel out your parking area until the plows have completed their work.
- 2) Do not park cars in the road or at the end of dead-end streets. This is where the plowed snow will be pushed.
- 3) Do not extend rear of car into roadway. This is dangerous and impedes the plowing of the roads.
- 4) Do not leave trash and/or recyclables in areas that still need to be plowed.
- 5) Consider staking the perimeter of your parking spaces and along the edges of your property at the start of the winter season. This is helpful in determining where your parking spaces are and will help us to avoid damaging your lawn and any lawn ornaments.
- 6) If you work or need to get out of the community early in the morning, we strongly suggest that you hire an outside contractor to plow or shovel your parking space.
- 7) We have appropriate amounts of salt on hand. Keep in mind that as temperatures drop, salt becomes less effective. Salt becomes ineffective below 20 degrees.
- 8) It is almost impossible to keep snow from being pushed into your parking space during plowing. The plow cannot be lifted or stopped at each parking space as it passes. Kindly wait until all plowing operations have ceased before shoveling your driveway.
- 9) Do not empty snow from your parking space into the street. If you hire a contractor, please ensure that your contractor is not emptying snow into the street. This slows the plowing operation and can cause an accident for which you may be liable.
- 10) Please try to limit your travel during and immediately after a snowstorm. We can get the snow cleared quicker with less traffic on our streets.
- 11) Please be patient. Snow plowing is difficult and time consuming. Our crews and staff spend long hours plowing and shoveling to ensure our streets are safe.

**Thank you for your cooperation and patience in helping keep us all safe!**