

# What is a Snow Emergency?

A snow emergency is when special parking rules go into effect to allow all streets in Saint Paul to be plowed to the curb. All residents and visitors must move their vehicles off of city streets, according to parking rules.

Vehicles that do not park according to the snow emergency parking rules will be ticketed and towed up to 96 hours after a snow emergency has begun.

Even during snow emergencies, always follow posted signs. Do not park vehicles where indicated "No Parking." The City of Saint Paul does not plow alleys.

# When is a snow emergency declared?

Many factors are considered before the City of Saint Paul declares a snow emergency, such as air and road temperatures, future weather forecasts, timing, type of precipitation and accumulation. In the City of Saint Paul, the city often declares a snow emergency after snowfalls of 3 inches or more.

Saint Paul Public Works typically declares a snow emergency no later than 3 p.m. to allow time for residents and visitors to properly move their vehicles.

# Stay Informed

## Get Snow Emergency Alerts!



Call 651-266-PLOW (7569)  
for the City's recorded  
snow emergency message



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Visit [stpaul.gov](http://stpaul.gov) or  
[stpaul.gov/snow](http://stpaul.gov/snow)

Questions? For snow emergency information in other languages, visit [stpaul.gov/snowlanguages](http://stpaul.gov/snowlanguages) or call 651-266-6100.

¿Preguntas? Para obtener información en español sobre la emergencia por nieve, visite [stpaul.gov/snowlanguages](http://stpaul.gov/snowlanguages) o llama a 651-266-6100.

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# EMERGENCY



651-266-9700  
[stpaul.gov/snow](http://stpaul.gov/snow)

## SNOW EMERGENCY DECLARED by 3:00 P.M.



Snow emergencies are usually declared by 3:00 p.m. and go into effect at 9:00 p.m. Typically, all streets are plowed within 20 hours during the Night and Day Plow Routes. However, ticketing and towing occurs for a total of 96 hours to help with additional plowing and clean up efforts.

Vehicles can be parked on the street once it has been fully plowed to the curb.

### 9 P.M. – 7 A.M.

## NIGHT PLOW RULES

Snow emergency Night Plow parking rules start at 9 p.m. the evening a snow emergency is declared, and continue until all Night Plow Routes have been plowed to the curb (usually by 7 a.m. the next day).

Night Plow Routes are marked with signs "Night Plow Route" or "Night Plow Route This Side of Street."

Do not park on the side of streets with this sign until that side of the street has been fully plowed to the curb.



### 8 A.M. – 5 P.M.



## DAY PLOW RULES

Snow emergency Day Plow parking rules start at 8 a.m. the day after a snow emergency has been declared, and continue until all Day Plow Routes have been plowed to the curb (usually by 5 p.m. that day).

**Day Plow Routes are not marked by signs.** If there are no "Night Plow" signs posted within the block, then consider it a Day Plow Route. Always follow posted signs. Do not park vehicles where indicated "No Parking."

Use our **FREE**  
Winter Parking app!  
[stpaul.gov/snowapp](http://stpaul.gov/snowapp)

Alerts when snow emergencies are declared



1 Night and Day Plow Route notifications

A map showing where you can park your car during Night and Day Plow operations



Basic snow emergency parking information

Links to snow emergency information in other languages



**Vehicles can be ticketed and towed up to 96 hours after a snow emergency has gone into effect** if they are not moved during the Night and Day Plow Routes, or are parked in locations that have not been plowed.

### If your vehicle is towed during a snow emergency:

- 1 Visit [stpaul.gov/impound](http://stpaul.gov/impound) for more information
- 2 Call the city's impound lots to find out which lot has your vehicle and what to bring *before* going to the lot:  
  
1129 Cathlin Street – 651-603-6895  
830 Barge Channel Road – 651-266-5642
- 3 Bring proper payment and documentation required to claim your vehicle.

### How do I report a vehicle that needs to be towed?

During the declared snow emergency, call Saint Paul Public Works ticketing office at 651-266-9800 to report a vehicle that has not moved and/or requires a ticket and tow. After the 96-hour snow emergency, if a vehicle still needs a ticket and tow, call Saint Paul Police Parking Enforcement at 651-291-1111.

