

## Town of Del Norte Snow Removal Policy



Although snow may create a beautiful winter scene, and provide our children with days of amusement, it can also present a hazard and nuisance to our daily lives. In order to control problems presented by the snow, our Town of Del Norte Public Works Department tries to provide professional and timely snow removal.

We prioritize the streets according to traffic volumes and public safety requirements, focusing first on school access (pedestrian and vehicular) and primary access routes for emergency vehicles.

Due to sometimes record snowfall amounts, the Town of Del Norte asks for cooperation from residents of the Town in the following areas:

- **Residential Neighborhoods:** All snow from private property or adjacent sidewalks should be stored on private property. The Town asks that residents be responsible for clearing snow along sidewalks and away from mailboxes and fire hydrants.
- **Private Snow Plowing:** Placing, dumping or pushing of snow onto town or state highways or right-of-a ways from adjacent properties is prohibited. When private snow plowing individuals do this it creates our department to go out and take care of areas that have already been plowed, taking time away from more important intersections that your family members might be traveling on.
- **Safety Around Plows:** Please slow down and use caution when snow removal equipment is on the roads. Follow well behind the plow with a minimum of 50 feet to avoid driving in the operator's blind spot. Stay clear of flying snow and sanding material. Stay clear of plows backing up.
- **Child Safety:** This winter we may have large mounds of snow throughout the Town of Del Norte. The ongoing snow removal efforts require that snow be continually pushed into these areas. Please ensure that children refrain from playing on, in and around the snow mounds, since most of these mounds are located in the corners of busy streets.

The Town is not responsible for snow that is plowed from streets and re-deposited into private driveway. The department encourages you to wait as long as possible to clear driveways and try piling the snow to the right side of their driveways to prevent being blocked in. We try the best we can to not block driveways, but sometimes this can't be helped with large volumes of snow.