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| West End Fire Department | (717) 532-5555 |
| Pleasant Hall Fire Department | (717) 532-5155 |
| Pennsylvania State Police | (717) 264-5161 |
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

COMPOSTING FACILITY WINTER HOURS

Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 am – 2:30 pm

Closed Saturdays until March 2, 2024

PARK HOURS

Dawn to Dusk



The Greene Township Board of Supervisors and staff hopes everyone has a safe and happy Holiday Season. It has been our pleasure to serve you this past year and we look forward to serving you even more effectively in the year 2024. As always, if you have any questions or issues that we can help with please contact us at 717-263-9160 or 717-263-4990.

Christmas Tree Collection

Greene Township will be commencing Christmas Tree collection **beginning**:

Tuesday, January 2, 2024



The collection crew will make **ONE PASS** through the Township. Trees must be placed at the edge of your yard **no further than four feet from the edge of the pavement of the road on the first day of collection. No return trips** will be made.

Otherwise, our composting facility winter hours are Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 am – 2:30 pm.

Landfill Voucher Program

Greene Township has again partnered with Blue Ridge Landfill to allow residents to dump **bulk items** for FREE at Blue Ridge Landfill up to six (6) Saturdays throughout the year.

The **2024 Voucher Cards** will be available for pick-up at the Township office beginning Tuesday, January 2, 2024. Drop-off at the Blue Ridge Landfill will begin Saturday, January 6, 2024.

In 2024, Greene Township proudly begins its 45th year without a Township real estate tax.

GREENE TOWNSHIP SNOW REMOVAL POLICIES



The Greene Township Board of Supervisors would like the residents of Greene Township to keep in mind the snow removal policies and help us as we attempt to maintain safe and passable roads this winter. You can assist us by remembering a few important tips.

- * **Greene Township does not have a bare roads policy.** During storm events some roads may be snow covered for a period of time. Greene Township will have crews treating roadways around the clock, but our aim is to keep roads passable rather than completely free of ice and snow.
Keep in mind, while snow is falling, roads may not be bare. Snowplows have very specific routes they cover and they often take two hours or more to complete an entire route and return to the starting point. That means, if snow is falling at 1 inch per hour and a truck takes three hours to get back to the beginning of its route, 3 inches of snow will have fallen since it was last plowed.
- * **Greene Township's procedure on snow removal is as follows:** During the storm the trucks will make initial and subsequent passes to open all roadways and keep the roads at passable conditions. After the storm the trucks will make multiple passes to clear the entire width of the roadways and clean intersections. Please remember this policy when clearing driveways and parking areas.
- * **Please do not park on Township roads and cul-de-sacs.** Your car can be damaged from snow and other debris being moved by the plow.
- * **Please keep trash bags and containers off the roadway.** Greene Township is not responsible for damage to containers that are on the roadway or in the road right-of-way.
- * **When following a snowplow** please remain a safe distance behind the vehicle so that the operator can see you in their mirrors. **These trucks stop and back up often** as well as deposit anti-skid on the road surface.
- * **Do not shovel or plow snow from your property onto the road surface or plow across the road to deposit the snow on the other side.** These practices reduce the melting effect of the salt and remove the anti-skid from the road surface. This creates an icy patch on the road that is very difficult to remove. **This is also against the law and you can be fined up to \$300 per incident.**
- * **Is your mailbox ready for winter?** Make sure your mailbox is firmly supported to the post and the post is secured in the ground. You may want to consider the use of reflective tape or other material to make it easier to see during storms or during dark hours. Greene Township allows property owners to place mailboxes within the limits of the legal right-of-way out of respect for the U.S.

Postal Service's need to deliver, and mail customers' convenience of delivery. **But because those boxes are within the right-of-way, any damages caused by snow or ice are the responsibility of the property owner.**

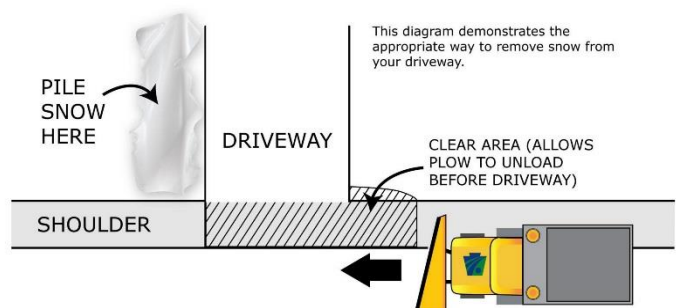
- * **Yard damaged by snowplows.** Property owners can identify the edge of the roadway with vertical marking devices that will be visible night and day to the snowplow operators. (Example: reflector posts, wooden stakes, fiberglass rods, or other reflective devices).
If damage does occur, please report by calling our office. Greene Township will pick-up any snowplow damaged yard material that remains within a reasonable amount of time. In the spring Greene Township will restore the area damaged by placing new topsoil and seeding the affected area.



DRIVEWAY SNOW SHOVELING TIPS

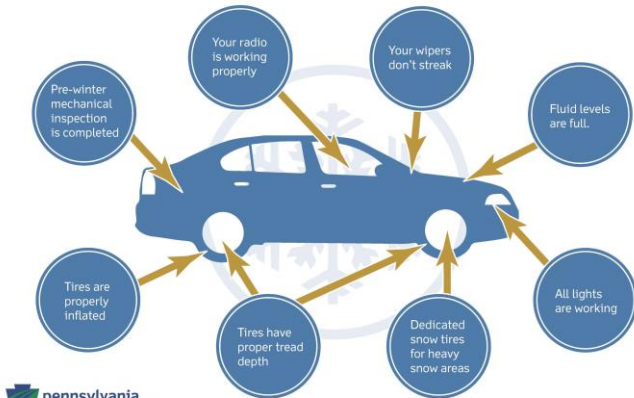
PennDOT and Greene Township make every attempt to minimize depositing snow onto sidewalks and driveways and its operators are instructed to reduce speed when plowing in residential areas. However, to keep Greene Township moving, roads must be cleared, and usually PennDOT and the Township have no option but to push the snow off the roads and onto sidewalks and driveways.

Homeowners have several options to help minimize the impact to driveways. Snow should be shoveled or plowed to the right side of the driveway as you are facing the intersecting roadway. By piling the snow away from the oncoming direction of the snow plows, the snow will not be pushed back onto the driveway. Another method is to clean an area on the right side of your driveway (as seen in the diagram below) to give the snow on the blade of the plow a place to empty before it gets to your driveway. This way you won't have to do the same job twice.



PennDOT and Greene Township also reminds you that it is illegal to push snow from a driveway or parking lot onto a state or township road.

Getting Your Vehicle Ready for Winter

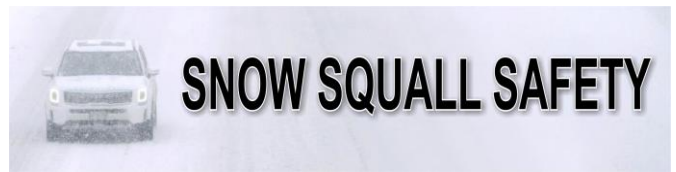


- Check that your fluid levels are full.
- Make sure your wipers don't streak. You may want to consider installing winter wiper blades.
- Ensure your heater and defroster are working properly.
- Check that your vehicle's radio is working properly so you can receive weather and traffic reports.
- Make sure all lights are working.
- Check to be sure tires are properly inflated and have sufficient tread depth.
- All-weather tires should be mud and snow rated.
- Before the winter driving season, motorists should have a mechanic check the brakes, battery, hoses and belts.

Winter Emergency Travel Kit



- Flashlight and batteries
- Battery-operated radio
- Jumper cables
- Cellphone and charger
- Snow shovel
- Matches and candles
- First aid supplies
- Extra warm clothing and gloves
- Blanket
- Ice Scraper
- Sand
- Flares or reflective triangle
- Bottled water
- Non-perishable food
- Keep your gas tank full



What's a Snow Squall?

- A brief but intense period of heavy snow (up to 2 inches in 30 minutes),
- Strong winds (30+ mph), and
- Whiteout conditions (visibility less than 1/4 mile).

Snow squalls often occur on days with otherwise partly cloudy skies. Coming on so suddenly, snow squalls can catch drivers off guard and lead to major transportation impacts, including deadly, multi-vehicle accidents.

Why are Snow Squalls Dangerous?

One of the things that makes snow squalls so dangerous is their tendency to produce icy roadways. Since snow squalls usually occur on days with partly cloudy skies, road surface temperatures can start off well above the freezing point before snow squalls arrive. When the snowflakes do start to fall, they initially melt on the warm road surface, making the road wet.

However, as the snow becomes heavier and air temperatures fall, the road surface cools, and liquid water turns to ice. Ice can also form on road surfaces that start out below freezing, especially when moving traffic drives over fallen snow, packing it down and warming it just enough to become icy.

Snow Squall Warnings.

Snow squall warnings are short-fused and focused on distinct areas (like tornado and severe thunderstorm warnings). These warnings provide critical, highly localized life-saving information. If a snow squall warning is issued for your area, avoid or delay motor travel until the squall passes through your location.

If you do get caught driving in a snow squall, avoid slamming on your brakes, turn on your headlights and hazard lights, stay in your lane and increase your following distance.



Office Winter Holiday Closings

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| Christmas | December 22 & 25 |
| New Year's | Dec. 29 & Jan. 1 |
| Martin Luther King Day | January 15, 2024 |
| Presidents' Day | February 19, 2024 |
| Good Friday | March 29, 2024 |

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Community Page

Registration for the 2024 Youth Baseball & Softball Seasons

Fayetteville Athletic Association

717-352-3121

Greenvillage Youth League

greenvillageyouthleague.com

Guilford Athletic Association

guilfordathleticassoc.com

Scotland Youth League

scotlandyouthleague.com



Park Rentals

Beginning Wednesday, January 3rd, 2024 we will be taking reservations for our Park Rentals for the 2024 season. Please call our office to book a date and time. We will not be taking reservations until that date. Visit our website for more information.

Composting Facility Winter Hours

Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 am – 2:30 pm
Closed Saturdays

Beginning March 2nd, 2024 the Composting Facility hours will be:

Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 am – 2:30 pm
Saturday, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Summer hours will be posted at a later date.