



Moon Township Winter Services Guide

It is usually sunny and 80 degrees when Moon Township Public Works Department begins preparing for winter weather. Each year, the township receives its first delivery of salt in October, but the groundwork begins months before that, including planning meetings, route analysis and fleet management. Moon Township is encouraging residents to get ready for winter by getting familiar with the township winter maintenance procedures and tips for a safe winter. More information about how Moon Township Public Works plans for winter is in the Winter 2015 Messenger, available at Moon Municipal offices.

Link to Weather Updates

SwiftReach 911

Register both home and cell phone numbers to receive local emergency notifications from the Moon Township Police Department. Sign up online at www.moonpolice.us or by phone at 412-262-5000.

PennDOT Road Updates

Check road conditions for interstates and some limited-access highways by calling 511 or visiting www.511pa.com for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's 511PA travel information service.

Cancellations and Delays

Watch Moon Community Access Television, Comcast channel 14 and Verizon FiOS channel 35, for local cancellations and delays. Announcements and updates also are posted online at www.moontwp.com.

Snow Removal and Winter Maintenance

Throughout the winter, the Moon Township Public Works Department works to keep 280 lane miles of Moon Township roadways passable during unpredictable weather conditions. Crews are on-call 24 hours a day ready to mobilize 11 trucks equipped with spreaders and plows on snow removal routes throughout the township. Three additional trucks stand ready on back-up. Here is a basic guide to the department's snow removal procedures:

Stocking the Salt Bin

Moon Township Public Works department bought 5,000 tons of salt at \$69.29 per ton this fall to prepare for the upcoming snow season. As a member of the South Hills Area Council of Governments, Moon Township secured the price through the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance, which negotiates competitive project bids for its member municipalities.

Two-Inch Rule

The amount of snow typically determines the type of road maintenance response; though, exact procedures vary depending on actual conditions. A good rule of thumb is, for snowfall below two inches, Public Works crews treat roads with salt or anti-skid materials. Snow plowing operations usually kick in for snowfall greater than two inches.

Where does Moon Township plow?

Throughout the winter, the Moon Township Public Works Department maintains all township-owned roads and is also contracted to plow select state and county roads. Private roads and a number of major state roads are not maintained by the township. Find a complete list of roadways exempted from Moon Township's plowing routes on pages 3 and 4.

BY THE NUMBERS

Winter Materials Budget: est. \$360,000

Lane Miles: 280

Average Salt Used: 5,000-7,000 tons

Snow Removal Routes: 14

Plow/Spreader Fleet: 14 trucks



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Clear the Way for Snow Removal Crews

The Public Works Department appreciates residents' patience and cooperation as they work to keep roads clear amid unpredictable weather conditions. Please remember the following regulations this winter:

- Please do not park vehicles on township roads from 2 to 6 a.m. seven days a week to keep roads clear for emergency vehicles and snow plows. During snow events, on-street parking is discouraged at all times.
- Please assist public safety personnel by clearing snow from fire hydrants in your neighborhood.
- Please remove basketball hoops, hockey nets and other obstructions from roadways, cul-de-sacs and rights-of-way to avoid interfering with winter road maintenance. Also remember to trim tree branches that extend beyond the curb.

Pot Hole Patrol

Throughout the winter, Public Works crews regularly monitor township roads for potholes and make repairs on a rolling basis. To report a pothole on a township-owned roadway, call the Municipal Building at 412-262-1700. Keep in mind that Moon Township Public Works does not patch potholes on private, county or state roads. Although the township contracts to plow select state and county roads, pothole repairs remain a regular winter maintenance duty handled by the county or state. Moon Township does not handle pothole repairs for the following roadways:

Private Roads

Review the list of privately-maintained roadways in Moon Township on Page 4.

Allegheny County Roads

Contact the Allegheny County Public Works Department at 412-350-2513 to report potholes on county-owned roads in Moon Township.

State Roads

Report potholes on state-owned roads by calling PennDOT's road maintenance hot line at 1-800-FIX-ROAD. State-owned roads in Moon Township include major corridors, such as Brodhead Road, Beaver Grade Road, Thorn Run Road, University Boulevard and Business Loop I-376. Review the list of state-maintained roads in Moon Township on Page 3.

Snow Plow Safety

Remember that it is extremely difficult for snowplow drivers to see children in the street. Never allow children to play or build snow forts on or near the street or in the mounds left by snowplows.

When driving behind a plow truck, maintain a safe distance to avoid material kickback and allow enough time to come to a safe stop if necessary. According to PennDOT, there is never a "safe" time to pass a snowplow in your car.

Emergency Shelter Information

During emergency situations, such as the extreme snowstorms of February 2010, the township operates an emergency shelter to provide short-term relief for residents. Moon Township's emergency sheltering location is the Public Safety Building, 1000 Beaver Grade Road, which houses the police and fire departments and is equipped with a back-up generator in case of power outages.

How do I know if a shelter is in operation?

Residents should check for emergency sheltering announcements at www.moontwp.com and in local news reports. Residents also can call the Moon Township Police 412-262-5000. In the event of a township-wide emergency, the Police Department will issue a phone message through the SwiftReach emergency notification system, which residents can register for at www.moonpolice.us

Register for SwiftReach Emergency Notification Alerts:
www.moontwp.us

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Roadways **NOT** maintained by Moon Township
State maintained roads (PennDOT)

Roadway	Start Point	End Point
Business Loop I-376	I-376	Findlay Township Line
Ewing Rd Interchange		
Flaugherty Run Rd	Findlay Township Line	Crescent Township Line
Hassam Rd	Montour St	Robinson Township Line
International Interchange		
McGovern Blvd	Stoops Ferry Rd	Crescent Township Line
Montour Run Rd	I-376	Robinson Township Line
Montour Run Rd Interchange		
Resurrection Rd	Ewing Rd Interchange	McClaren Run Rd
Route 51	Coaraopolis Borough Line	Robinson Township Line
Sewickley Bridge		
Stoops Ferry Rd	University Blvd	McGovern Blvd
Thorn Run Rd Interchange		
University Blvd	I-376	Coraopolis

Contact:
PennDOT
Allegheny County Office - District 11-1
412.781.3260

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Privately Maintained Roads

Acorn Ln	Forest Green Dr	Oakes Pl
Abbott St	Fox Path	Oakwood Rd
Airside Dr	Gatehouse Dr	Olde Stable Ln
Anna Mae Dr	Gibson Dr	Owens Rd
Autumn Woods Dr	Grant Dr	Parish Pl
Blake Ct	Gringo Clinton Rd	Park Manor Blvd
Blue Ridge Dr	GSK Dr	Pillar Dr
Bray Ln	Horizon Dr	Pine Acre Ln
Bridle Trail	Iris Ln	Pine Hill Rd
Brookside Ln	Kings Ln	Polo Club Dr
Cargo Rd	Kris Dr	Port Vue Dr
Cheltenham Way	Lakeview Dr	Riders Way
College Park Dr	Landing Ln	Sanlin Dr
Colony West Dr	Laurel Dr	Santa Anna Dr
Country Ln	Lindbergh Dr	Scenic Ct
Crestview Dr	Lunar Ln	Scott Rd
Crooked Ln	Maple Ln	Seibert Way
Crystal Lake Ln		Sherwood Ct
Curry Ct	Marshall Ave	Soldiers Ln
Defense Ave	McClafferty Ln	Springwater Ct
Diamond Dr	Mercury Dr	Springer Dr
Dobe Dr	Mustang Dr	Tower Rd
Duffy Dr	Myers Ln	Valentine Dr
Edgetown Rd	Newton Square Dr	Veranda Ln
Eisenborn Rd	Nike Rd	Westwind Dr
Elm Lane	North Allerton Ct	Wiltshire Drive
Evergreen Ln	Northrup Ct	