

Marceline Snow Removal FAQ's

Question: Can I park on the street during a snowstorm?

Answer: Snow plows cannot successfully clear a street that has cars parked along the curb. Cars parked on the curb will be plowed in by the street crews.

Question: If a snow event is forecasted, where should I park my vehicle if I live on Main Street USA?

Answer: The City recommends residents living along Main Street USA to park in the rear of their apartment. This allows crews to remove snow from Main Street effectively and in a timely manner. The ultimate goal is to remove all snow from all parking spaces along Main Street, if vehicles are left along the street they will be plowed in and leave mounds of snow hindering residents and business owners.

Question: Who plows the highways?

Answer: Many streets in Marceline are actually part of the state highway system and plowing them is the responsibility of MODot. These streets include, Hwy 5 (Missouri Avenue), Hwy JJ (N. Kansas Avenue/Main Street USA, W. Lake Street), Hwy WW (E. Hauser St.)

Question: What should I do about driving in a snowstorm?

Answer: If you don't have to drive, don't! If you must drive in severe weather be prepared for the worst. Leave early so you can drive at a safe speed. Allow extra distance between your car and the one ahead of you in case something unexpected happens. Do not assume other drivers are exercising the same extra caution you are. Have emergency supplies (flashlight, blanket, jumper cables) in your car in case of a breakdown or accident. Limit your driving during storms to absolute necessities; the fewer cars there are on the roads, the easier it is for snow removal to be done successfully.

Question: Why did you plow my driveway full of snow?

Answer: The street department is responsible for removing snow from the roadways. The process of removal requires the snow to be pushed to the right side/curb of the street. Some residents will be displeased because they have already cleared their driveway and it will be plowed full of snow again. The impact of this can be lessened by a homeowner if they choose to make a windrow clearance area by removing the snow from the city street a width of 6 feet from the curb, and a distance of 24 feet from the edge of your driveway (traveling 24 feet against the flow of traffic) which will allow the plow blade to empty prior to crossing the driveway.

Question: Who clears sidewalks?

Answer: Clearing sidewalks is the responsibility of the homeowner/property owner.

Question: Who clears my mailbox?

Answer: Residents need to clear the area in front of mailboxes to assure delivery. Mail carriers need to be able to access your mailbox from their vehicle.