STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE SNOW REMOVAL AND DE-ICING

1. Preparation

- a. Store de-icing material under a covered storage area or in an area where water coming off the de-icing materials is collected and delivered to the sanitary sewer or reused as salt brine.
- b. Slope loading area away from storm drain inlets
- c. Design drainage from loading area to collect runoff before entering storm water system
- d. Wash out vehicles (if necessary) in approved washout area before preparing them for snow removal.
- e. Calibrate spreaders to minimize amount of de-icing material used and still be effective
- f. Spill cleanup kits in case of hydraulic line rupture or other spills are available at the City Yard.
- g. Train employees in spill cleanup procedures and proper handling and storage of deicing materials

2. Process

- a. Load material into trucks carefully to minimize spillage
- b. Periodically dry sweep loading area to reduce the amount of de-icing materials exposed to runoff
- c. Distribute the minimum amount of de-icing material to be effective on roads
- d. Do not allow spreaders to idle while distributing de-icing materials.
- e. Park trucks loaded with de-icing material inside when possible

3. Cleanup

- a. Sweep up all spilled de-icing material around loading area
- b. Clean out trucks after snow removal duty in approved washout area
- c. Provide maintenance for vehicles in covered area
- d. If sand is used in de-icing operations, sweep up residual sand from streets when weather permits





















