

Freedom Winter Roads Policy

- 1) **Slow down!** Winter driving is treacherous and excess speed can spell disaster.
- 2) When plows are out, slow down, move over and give them plenty of room and the right of way, especially on bridges.
- 3) **Do not** plow snow out of driveways and across the road. To do so is dangerous and a violation of Maine State law (29-A MRSA 2396).
- 4) If snow needs to be plowed out of driveways, plow to the right and along the snow bank in the same direction the plow travels.
- 5) **Do not** plow snow into the culvert openings at driveways or into cross culvert openings that are servicing the road. If a culvert is plugged, run off water can damage the road and the driveway entrance.
- 6) After November 1 and until April 30 **do not park** vehicles in the road. Park in the driveway and be sure vehicles are at least 10 feet from the edge of the road, especially during storms.
- 7) Never park a vehicle or leave a trailer in a town turnaround. Doing so prevents the town plow trucks from doing their job, and also prevents the school bus from picking up students.
- 8) **Do not** place rocks or other obstacles at the end of driveways or within 10 feet of the traveled surface of a road or a plow turnaround.
- 9) During major storms try to keep off the roads as much as possible. The less traffic our plow drivers encounter the better they can do their job.
- 10) Any vehicle that obstructs a road during the normal operation of plowing snow by being parked too close to the road will be towed at the owner's expense.
- 11) If you have a complaint please call the Town Office or one of the Select Board members.