SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS

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CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR REMOVAL OF SNOW
AND ICE FROM SIDEWALKS

Section 1. GENERAL

These Rules and Regulations are adopted and issued by the Manager of the Department of Public Works of the City and County of Denver in accordance with authority contained in Article II of the charter of the City and County of Denver and in the Revised Municipal Code of the City and County of Denver.

Section 2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this regulation is to establish the procedure for the enforcement of removal of snow and ice from adjoining sidewalks immediately after every snowfall as authorized by the Revised Municipal Code, Chapter 49, Article XV, Section 49-551.

Section 3. PROCEDURE

Once snow has stopped falling, City inspectors may issue notices and/or citations to businesses and residences for failure to remove snow as required by the ordinance. In order to insure that responsible parties have an appropriate amount of time for compliance, and to insure that sidewalks are accessible in a timely manner after a snowfall event, notices and/or citations shall not be issued sooner than four (4) hours after the end of the snowfall for businesses, and twenty four (24) hours for residences.

Section 4. DECLARED SNOW EMERGENCY EVENTS

In certain cases where excess snowfall significantly impacts mobility throughout the City and County of Denver, and removal of snow from roads and sidewalks is expected to take additional time, the Manager may declare a snow emergency and suspend enforcement of snow and ice from adjoining sidewalks. In order to insure accessibility is restored within a reasonable amount of time, declared snow emergency events are limited in duration to 72 hours.

Once the Manager declares the a snow emergency is over, or 72 hours lapses from the start of the declared emergency, enforcement shall commence based on the timeframes for compliance described in Section 3.