

# Snow Response & Removal

Snow response and removal is a high priority for the City of Midland. The methods and response time for snow removal throughout the 35+ square miles of Midland depend upon the amount of snow that falls. Below are general procedures for snow removal and response in the city. For additional information, contact the Department of Public Services (DPS) at **989-837-6900**.



## Snow Watch

Snow Watch ensures the City of Midland's readiness in the event of a snowfall. Snow Watch is staffed 24 hours a day beginning on the Sunday following Thanksgiving through April 1 to monitor and respond to weather conditions.

## Immediate Response

When light snow or ice appear on road surfaces, Snow Watch operators begin to salt priority routes; these include bridges, overpasses, the Business Route 10 expressway, major streets, and the hospital zone.

## Salting Response

If additional crews are needed to salt the streets, 10 salt trucks are available and will be used as conditions warrant. Salting crews will follow a priority schedule as they salt the streets. Priority routes include bridges and overpasses, the Business Route 10 expressway, state trunklines (Eastman Ave., Saginaw Rd., M-20, and Patrick and Lyon Rds.), major streets, school routes, and near stop signs at major intersections.

## Snow Removal Response

When a significant snowfall occurs, and/or accompanying weather conditions warrant, street plowing begins:

- A team of four or more trucks plows priority routes, including state trunklines, the Business Route 10 expressway, and major streets.
- Additional trucks are assigned to plow major streets and along school routes throughout the city. A salt truck follows each route to minimize icing as well as salt the street near stop signs at major intersections.
- Once the priority routes have been cleared, road crews begin plowing residential areas, starting with the next day's garbage collection route and continuing through the days of the week. For example: if the snow fell on a Monday, road crews would begin plowing in areas scheduled for Tuesday collection and would then proceed to plow through areas scheduled for collection on Wednesday, then Thursday, etc.
- Courts and cul-de-sacs are plowed as any other residential street; however, smaller plows follow the route to clean up any additional snow that is left in the end of the cul-de-sac.

## Snow Removal Follow-up

Snow removal crews work on a 24-hour schedule until the city streets are clear. Once the streets and designated parking lots have been plowed and salted, road crews begin hauling snow from the downtown area and plowed parking lots.



# Landfill Disposal Information

**(989) 839-9577**

**4311 E. Ashman St.**

**Open: Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Saturday 8:30 a.m. until Noon** (from March - November only)



Each month, Midland city residents may dispose of up to three cubic yards of refuse for free during a single visit to the landfill. Please present a current drivers license, Michigan ID, or current property tax bill to verify residency. The gatehouse attendant will assess a fee for any excess yardage based on the type of material and amount of cubic yards being disposed. The attendant estimates the size of each load and determines cost based on volume (see chart below).

The landfill cannot accept any type of liquid or household hazardous waste (however, the landfill will accept dried Latex paint in the can, with the lid off). Oil, antifreeze, pesticides, oil-based paint, and other household hazardous waste may not be disposed of at the landfill, but are accepted through the Midland County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program.

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Some household hazardous materials can lead to contamination of groundwater, well water or other water sources when spilled onto the ground, poured down the drain, or placed in trash containers. To prevent this, the Midland County Health Department sponsors the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program. The program provides an opportunity to safely and properly dispose of most hazardous materials you may have in your home including automotive products, cleaning products, and paint and garden products. The program is offered at various times throughout the year at no charge to residents.

For more information, contact the Health Department at 989-832-6681.

## Residential Waste Disposal Area

A convenient residential waste disposal area near the landfill entrance is paved and elevated so residents can drive up to the area and unload items into large dumpsters that are flush with the ground. This area allows residents to forgo entering landfill cells to dispose of their refuse.

### DISPOSAL RATES

Passenger Car Tires .....	\$5 each
Truck Tires .....	\$10 each
Heavy Equipment Tires .....	\$15 each
Household Refuse .....	\$5.50/cu. yd.
Yard Waste (brush, leaves, grass) .....	\$3/cu. yd.
Demolition Material .....	\$10/cu. yd.
<i>(broken concrete, brick, masonry materials, pavement, roofing, and all new or used building materials)</i>	
Appliances .....	\$7 each