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City Reminds Residents about Sidewalk Responsibility

Residents are required to clean the ice and snow from sidewalks adjacent to their property within 24 hours of a snow event.

MORGANTOWN - Morgantown Code Enforcement Division and the Morgantown Police Department want you to remember your sidewalk responsibilities when the snow starts to fall.

The City is publicizing its Snow and Ice Removal regulations by handing out and posting flyers, which serve to remind residents, homeowners, and businesses of their responsibility to clear snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their property within 24 hours of a snow event. This year, it also includes snow shoveling guidelines to help residents understand how the plows will work around residents' driveways and sidewalks.

Morgantown City Code 913.11, "Maintenance; Removal of Snow, Ice and Dirt" originated in 1967. The City also takes International Property Maintenance Code 302.3 "Sidewalks and Driveway" into consideration.

The regulations do not apply to personal walkways, stairs, driveways, and parking spaces. However, walkways, stairs, driveways, and parking spaces for rental and business property are required to comply with the 24 hour clean up standard.

The Code Enforcement Division will receive complaints and issue notices to responsible parties if the snow and ice is not removed within 24 hours following the snow event. The notice will provide an additional 24 hours to correct the violation. The Police Department will issue citations to those individuals who fail to take corrective action.

Those unable to remove snow and ice from sidewalks who do not have a neighbor or family member to help should call the Code Enforcement Office.

To report a dangerous location or an area of concern, citizens can go online at <http://com4.govtsystems.com/ReqPMorgantownWV/AnonRequests/Requests.aspx?TopicId=0> and fill out a Request Partner form.

If you have questions, please contact Code Enforcement office Monday through Friday between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. The number there is (304) 284-7401.

