

Section 5.5.2 on Snow Removal, as of November 1, 2019, is an addendum to First River Farms Rules and Regulations as of June 20, 2016.

5.5.2 Snow Removal

5.5.2.1 *County-owned streets:* The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is responsible for snow removal from Tis Well Drive and Holland Road.

5.5.2.2 *Common streets and sidewalks:* The HOA contracts for clearing snow from Clifton Farm, Carter Farm, Cedar Landing and La Faye Courts, and all common sidewalks throughout the community.

- Contracted snow removal is initiated when snow accumulation reaches 2 inches. If snow is not removed from common streets and sidewalks within 12 hours, residents should notify the management company.
- In order to avoid damage to parked vehicles, the contractor will plow only the middle of the street leaving several feet of snow as a buffer. Residents will need to clear that snow.

5.5.2.3 *Private walkways and assigned parking spaces:* Residents are responsible for clearing the walkways, steps and porches from the common sidewalk to their front doors. They are also responsible for clearing their assigned parking spaces, including the areas between and behind parked vehicles. Residents are encouraged to check with any neighbors who may need assistance with these tasks.

- a. Residents should clear the snow from their walkways, steps and porches as soon as possible, as they are liable for all damages incurred by anyone who injures him/herself on private property.
- b. When clearing private walkways and parking spaces, residents must ensure that snow is not deposited on common streets or sidewalks, or on neighbors' walkways or parking spaces even if those parking spaces are vacant. Shoveled snow should be deposited only on the residents' own lawn or on common grassy areas, and should not block access to fire hydrants or mailboxes.
- c. Residents may elect to use one of their assigned spaces for snow shoveled from their own walkways, vehicles and/or other space. No one but the resident to which the space is assigned can use it for shoveled snow without express permission from the resident.

5.5.2.5 *Visitor parking spaces:* Snow removed from walkways and assigned parking spaces may not be shoveled into any designated visitor parking spaces. Despite inclement weather, contractors and other service providers, as well as family and friends, still need access to these spaces.

5.5.2.6 *Fire hydrants and mailboxes:* Fire hydrants and mailboxes are not cleared as part of the HOA's snow removal contract. In order to provide safety for the entire community, residents are encouraged to clear paths to these areas when they are shoveling their own walks and parking spaces.