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Snow Removal Do's and Don'ts

The City of South Lake Tahoe would like to thank locals and visitors for their contributions to efficient and effective snow removal. Our goal article is to familiarize those new to the area of "Snow Removal Do's and Don'ts." This might be old news to people who have lived in the Tahoe Basin for a while. However, for some visitors and new residents, this information could be beneficial when dealing with a Tahoe winter and snow removal.

Of utmost importance to everyone is emergency access, 24 hours a day, to all areas of the City. That means that City crews work around the clock clearing 127 miles of City streets until the streets are open to their full widths.

The City uses the right-of-way for storage of snow removed from the streets. The right-of-way is the only storage site the City has available; therefore, it is not available as snow storage for individuals. Right-of-way generally extends five to ten feet beyond the edge of the pavement.

Anything left in the right-of-way can and does interfere with snow removal. One of our biggest problems during snow removal is cars parked in the street. At times, illegally parked cars actually preclude streets from being plowed and hamper emergency personnel when responding to a call. An unplowed street is especially frustrating for the people who live on that street. ***The best policy is to keep your vehicle(s) parked off the streets at all times.***

For people who have home mail delivery, the mailbox should be installed on private property at the right side of the driveway (while facing the street). It is the resident's responsibility to clear a path to the mailbox and keep the box accessible for mail delivery.

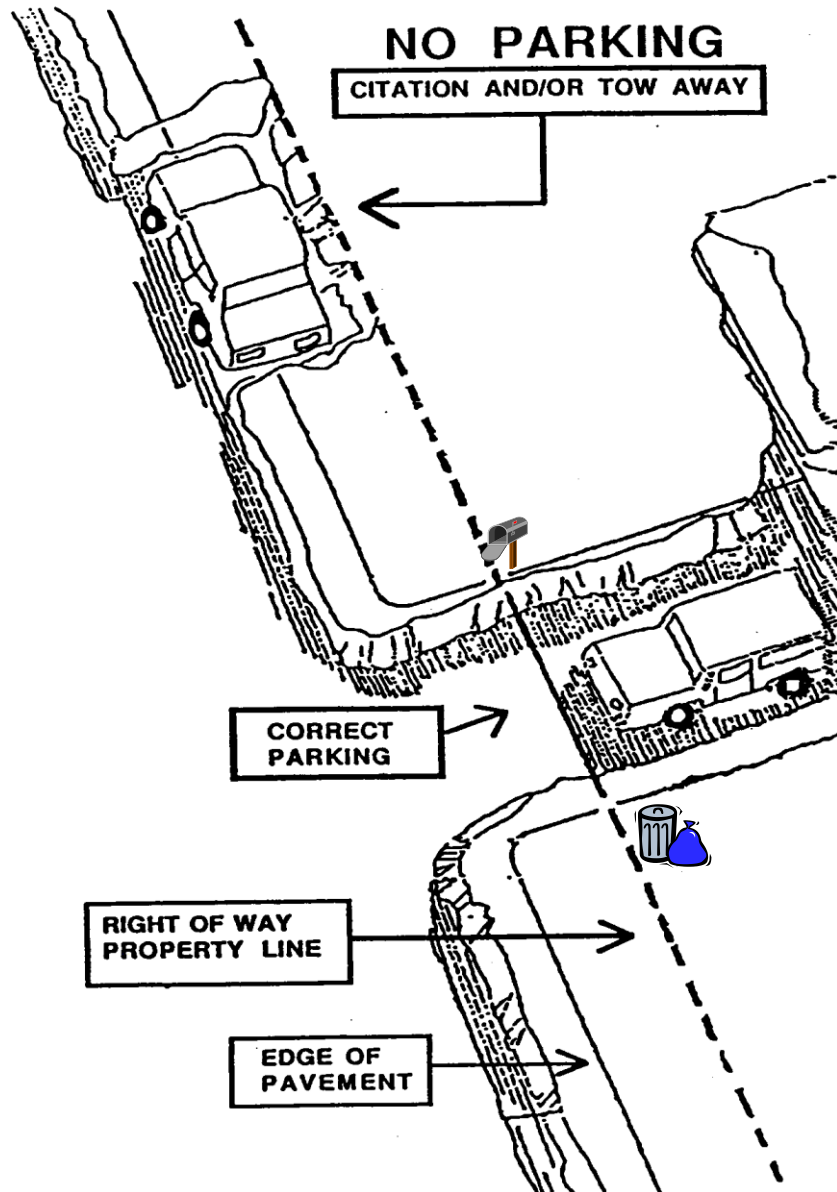
In addition to cars, anything left in the right-of-way, such as landscaping, building material, rocks, shovels, etc., becomes a hindrance for equipment operators. So, please remember to keep this area free of obstacles that could interfere with snow removal efforts or break the equipment. Please refer to the attached "Snow Conditions Parking Guide" for more information.

Again, we wish to thank you for your understanding and cooperation during snow removal. The City's snow removal number is (530) 542-6030 and additional information can be found on line at www.cityofslt.us/snow

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CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE SNOW CONDITIONS PARKING GUIDE



Additional information: www.cityofslt.us/snow
Monitored snow message line (530)542-6030

SNOW CONDITIONS EXIST:

- * Generally from October 15 through April 15 every year.
- * When in excess of three (3) inches of snow has fallen (accumulated) on the ground and until streets have been cleared to their full widths. This may occur while you are away from your car, so even if snow conditions did not exist when you left your car, you are still subject to citation and/or tow. **The best policy is to keep your vehicle(s) parked off the streets at all times.**
- * Cars subject to citation and/or tow are those parked in the street right-of-way. The City right-of-way extends beyond the edge of the pavement to the property line, generally 5 to 10 feet beyond the edge of the pavement.
- * The City is asking that you keep all trash containers behind the berm, on your property. Improper placement of trash containers can result in damaged containers and/or snow removal equipment. This affects the level of service we are able to provide to the community.
- * **WINTER HINT:** When shoveling snow from your driveway, shovel to the right as you face the street. This way, the plow will move the snow further down the road, rather than move the shoveled snow back into your driveway.

*Your cooperation is
appreciated!*