When will my road get plowed?

SERVICE TIMES

Type of Road	Clearing Time
100-Series and trunk highways, and other high traffic roads	8 hours after snow stops
Secondary routes and other medium traffic roads	12 hours after snow stops
Local paved roads, most subdivision and residential streets	24 hours after snow stops
Gravel roads	24 hours after snow stops

SALTING1 AND SANDING

100-Series and trunk highways, and other high traffic roads

- Salted to achieve bare pavement
- Salt applied before, during and after a storm if required

*Secondary routes and other medium traffic roads

- Salted to achieve a bare centre line
- Salt applied at beginning of storm and after a storm if required

*Local paved roads, most subdivision and residential streets

- Salted to achieve a bare centre line
- Salt applied only after a storm

Gravel roads

- Snow packed
- Sanding as needed
- * In sanding only sections, acceptable driving condition is considered to be snow packed and sanded as required.



There are more than 400 snow plows and other snow-clearing vehicles working to keep Nova Scotia's roads, highways, and bridges safe during the winter months. Crews are on the job day and night, 24/7, keeping the roads as safe and as clear as possible. Work starts before the storm and continues during and after the storm. At left is more information to help explain what you can expect this winter.







¹Note that salt will start to lose its effectiveness at temperatures below -12° C. In these conditions sand may be applied to increase traction for all service levels.