

Town of Gordon  
Douglas County, Wisconsin

Ordinance 2024-04

Snow And Ice Removal From Sidewalks Ordinance

It is hereby ordained by the Town Board of the Town of Gordon, Douglas County, Wisconsin, as follows:

SECTION I – TITLE AND PURPOSE

This ordinance is entitled the Snow and Ice Removal From Sidewalks Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is to protect public health and safety.

SECTION II – AUTHORITY

The Town Board has the specific authority under § 82.03, Wis. Stats., to adopt this ordinance.

SECTION III -- RESPONSIBILITY OF OWNER OR OCCUPANT

A. The owner, occupant, or person in charge of each dwelling or building in the Town of Gordon fronting upon or adjoining any street, and the owner or person in charge of any unoccupied building or lot fronting as aforesaid, shall clean the sidewalk in front of or adjoining such dwelling or building, or unoccupied lot or building, as the case may be, of snow and ice to the width of such sidewalk within 24 hours after the snow has ceased to fall, and shall keep the sidewalk free of snow so as to prevent an accumulation of ice.

B. If the weather conditions cause ice to accumulate on such sidewalk and it cannot with due diligence be removed, the owner, occupant, or person in charge shall keep the same sprinkled with salt or sand and shall remove accumulated ice to the width of the sidewalk as soon as weather conditions permit.

SECTION IV -- CLEANING BY TOWN; ASSESSMENT OF COSTS.

If the owner, occupant or person responsible for removal of snow as herein provided fails to so remove snow, at the time designated herein, the Town may, through its employees and officials of the Highway Department, and at its option, cause the snow and ice to be removed from any sidewalk within the Town and the **cost of such removal shall be charged to each lot or parcel of land as a special charge against real property by the Town Treasurer and included in the current or next tax roll for collection and settlement under chapter 74 of the Wisconsin Statutes.**

SECTION VII - SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

SECTION VI – EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance is effective upon publication or posting.

The Town Clerk shall properly post or publish this ordinance as required under §60.80, Wis. Stats.

Adopted this 10 day of December, 2024.

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Jen Knutson – Chairman

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Craig Golembiewski – Supervisor

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Cody Eagle – Supervisor

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Attest: Denise Wohlbiel - Clerk

**Approved: Ordinance # 2024-04, December 10, 2024.**