

Sanding & Plowing Dead End Streets Policy

The Town of Leicester has numerous dead end streets that are public ways and have to be plowed and sanded.

This policy allows the Highway Superintendent to determine the best way to effectively plow and/or sand these streets. This includes but is not limited to:

- Plowing and/or sanding as the truck drives up the street, then backing out.
- Backing down the street then plowing and/or sanding on the way out.
- Plowing and/or sanding as the truck drives up the street, then turning around on a resident's property.
 - There are currently no less than nineteen (19) streets that fall into this category
 - For these streets, the Superintendent will obtain the homeowner's permission to come onto their property and come to an agreement on whether the town truck will plow and/or sand the end of that driveway at the same time as turning around.

The Superintendent will have full authority to decide at any time what is the most efficient way to plow or sand any street that the town is obligated to maintain. This includes obtaining permission from a homeowner (if available) to use their property to turn around in the situation when a street is impassable and the truck has to return from the direction it originally came.

In addition, in the case of heavy snowfall and if there is an emergency situation, the Highway Superintendent can determine if it is in the best interest of safety to open the driveway of any EMS officer (police, fire, ambulance, highway and cert team).

During the instances that there is a large snow fall and the streets end up with very high snow banks, the Highway Superintendent will have the authority to determine if and when the highway crew will open private driveways on these streets due to the volume of snow plowed onto those properties.

Occasionally there are surprise ice storms or storms with ice conditions that were unexpected. The Highway Superintendent shall be allowed to direct a sander to swing through a property if requested due to a special event like a funeral or planned function that involves town residents. The highway will not plow these properties, but only drop some sand.

The Superintendent will make every effort to maintain log of when and where these types of instances occur.