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NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ISSUES TRAVEL ADVISORY FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 3

Alternate Side Parking Regulations are suspended Monday, January 3

January 2, 2022 — The New York City Emergency Management Department today issued a travel advisory for Monday, January 3. According to the latest forecast, a low-pressure system is expected to bring light snow to the area beginning early Monday morning, before tapering off in the afternoon. A total accumulation of one-half to 1 inch of snow is forecast, with locally higher amounts possible.

"With the first potential snow of the new year arriving in New York City this week, New Yorkers should prepare for slippery road conditions on Monday," said **NYC Emergency**Management First Deputy Commissioner Christina Farrell. "We encourage all New Yorkers to use mass transit, allow for extra travel time, and exercise caution."

"New Yorkers can rest assured that the Department of Sanitation is ready to fight snow and ice during this event. When you see our orange salt spreaders tonight, please give them room to do their important work, and stay safe by staying off the roads if possible," said **Edward Grayson**, **Commissioner of the New York City Department of Sanitation**.

The City's Sanitation Department is pre-deploying salt spreaders to pretreat roadways ahead of the first snowflake and will dispatch more than 2,000 plows when more than two inches of snow accumulates.

Safety Tips

- Allow for extra travel time. New Yorkers are urged to use public transportation.
- If you must drive, drive slowly. Use major streets or highways for travel whenever possible.
- Vehicles take longer to stop on snow and ice than on dry pavement.
- Pedestrians should exercise caution and avoid slippery surfaces; some ice may not be visible. Wear sturdy boots that provide traction to reduce slipping. Use handrails when using stairs.
- Take care when walking on snow and ice, especially if you are an older adult. Seniors should take extra care outdoors to avoid slips and falls.
- Have heightened awareness of cars, particularly when approaching or crossing intersections.

For more safety tips, visit <u>NYC.gov/EmergencyManagement</u>. New Yorkers are also encouraged to sign up for Notify NYC, the City's free emergency notification system, to stay informed about the latest weather updates and other emergencies. To learn more about the Notify NYC program



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