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### **DSNY Issues ‘Winter Operations Advisory’ for Saturday, March 12, 2022, at 1:00 a.m.**

The New York City Department of Sanitation has issued a Winter Operations Advisory for Saturday, March 12th, beginning at 1:00 a.m. A Winter Operations Advisory is the Department’s “lower level” winter weather message, as opposed to the “higher level” Snow Alert.

A wintry mix of rain and snow is expected throughout the day Saturday, and depending on exact timing and temperature, New York City may receive up to one inch on paved surfaces and up to three inches on unpaved surfaces. Following the cessation of precipitation, temperatures will continue to fall through Saturday evening into Sunday, and icy conditions are possible, particularly early Sunday morning.

The Department is filling salt spreaders to pretreat New York City’s roadways, and more than 700 will be active across the city throughout the weather event as needed to prevent icing conditions. As this is a “rain to snow” event, liquid brine will not be used. The Department is prepared to deploy plows in every sector in the unlikely event of roadway accumulations over two inches.

Open Restaurants may continue to offer outdoor and roadway dining throughout this event. Restaurants with roadway seating should be aware that DSNY equipment may spread salt on the roadway.

Residents should continue to follow their normal collection schedule for trash, compost and recycling, though delays may occur while the Department is in snow operations mode.

Alternate Side Parking regulations and parking meters will operate as normal.

The Department is coordinating with other City agencies on snow clearing protocol in accordance with each agency’s written snow plan. All relevant city agencies have been notified and the Department will continue to monitor forecasts as the snow event approaches.

All winter weather information and information about the City’s response to the storm can be found by visiting the City’s Severe Weather website at [www.nyc.gov/severeweather](http://www.nyc.gov/severeweather) or by calling 311. New Yorkers are also encouraged to sign up for Notify NYC, the City’s free emergency notification system. Through Notify NYC, New Yorkers can sign up to receive phone calls, text messages, and emails alerts about severe weather events and emergencies. To sign up for Notify NYC, call 311, visit [www.nyc.gov](http://www.nyc.gov) or follow @NotifyNYC on Twitter.

Find information on Sanitation snow operations along with residents' responsibilities during and after snow at [nyc.gov/snow](http://nyc.gov/snow).

#### About the New York City Department of Sanitation

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean by collecting, recycling and disposing of waste, cleaning streets and vacant lots, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 705 salt spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.