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It's TIMMMMMMEEEEEE! NYC Department of Sanitation's "Winter Schedule" Begins for 2025-2026 Snow Season

Schedule Change Allows for Round-the-Clock Storm Readiness; Collection Times Could Vary Slightly

The New York City Department of Sanitation announced that it has transitioned its operations to its annual "Winter Schedule" with additional employees working overnight hours to allow for quicker and more effective snow operations work.

When snow is not in the forecast, Sanitation Workers scheduled for the night shift are frequently assigned to cleaning or collection duties, and as a result, residents may notice their trash, compost, and recycling collected at a slightly different time. **To ensure material is collected, residents are reminded to set material out by midnight on their scheduled day.**

This winter staffing is in addition to previously scheduled night work - all part of ongoing efforts to decrease the time that material sits on the streets to create a cleaner City with fewer rats. The winter schedule generally lasts at least through mid-April, but the Department will re-evaluate in the weeks and months to come.

The Department of Sanitation has a frontline defense of more than 700 salt spreaders dispatched at the first sign of frozen precipitation. Once two inches of snow has fallen on the City's streets and highways, the Department can deploy its more than 2,000 plow-equipped trucks to clear snow and ice. The Department is responsible for more than 19,000 lane-miles of roadway in the City. For further information on Sanitation services, call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov/sanitation.