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### **DSNY Issues ‘Winter Operations Advisory’ for Friday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7:00 a.m.**

Due to the potential for ice accumulation and freezing conditions, the New York City Department of Sanitation has issued a Winter Operations Advisory for Friday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7:00 a.m. A Winter Operations Advisory is the Department’s “lower level” winter weather message, as opposed to the “higher level” Snow Alert.

Light rain will turn heavy overnight Thursday into Friday, and temperatures Friday morning will drop from the high 30s into the mid teens in much of the City. Depending on the exact timing of this change, the rain may turn into ice, either as sleet in the air or as freezing rain upon contact with the ground. Some snow flurries with slight accumulations are also possible later in the day. All residents are encouraged to be especially cautious on Friday and to take mass transit if possible. Conditions may be particularly treacherous during the peak hours of the Friday evening commute.

Coming off of last week’s nearly one foot of snow, the Department is filling salt spreaders, and more than 700 will be active across the city throughout the weather event as needed. Since this is a “rain to snow” event, liquid brine will not be a significant part of the response, however certain specific roadways and bike lanes may be pretreated if conditions allow. While heavier accumulation is not expected, the Department is prepared to deploy plows in every sector to remove snow or ice if needed. Chains will be affixed to active salt spreaders and plows for traction.

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, particularly following last week’s significant snowfall.

Alternate Side Parking regulations remain suspended through Saturday, February 5. Parking meters are in effect.

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.