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NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ISSUES TRAVEL ADVISORY FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

Winter Weather Advisory in effect from 12 a.m. through 12 p.m. Friday; 3 to 5 inches of snow is predicted

Alternate Side Parking Regulations are suspended through Saturday, January 8

January 6, 2022 — The New York City Emergency Management Department today issued a travel advisory for Friday, January 7. The National Weather Service has issued a Winter Weather Advisory for New York City in effect from 12 a.m. to 12 p.m. Friday. According to the latest forecast, light snow is expected in the area beginning around midnight with heavier and steadier snowfall likely between 4 a.m. and 8 a.m., which may cause significant disruption to the morning commute. Lingering light snow may then continue until 10 a.m. A total accumulation of 3 to 5 inches of snow is forecast, with upwards of 6 inches possible.

"With potential snow arriving in New York City Friday morning, New Yorkers should prepare for slippery road conditions," said **NYC Emergency Management First Deputy Commissioner Christina Farrell**. "We urge New Yorkers to exercise caution. If you must travel, we encourage the use of mass transit and please allow for extra travel time."

"Long before the first flake falls, the men and women of the Department of Sanitation are preparing for snow. We train for this, and we are ready. We ask all New Yorkers to be cautious, careful, and patient as we work to clear the streets," said **Edward Grayson**, **Commissioner of the New York City Department of Sanitation**.

The City's Sanitation Department is pre-deploying over 700 salt spreaders to pretreat roadways ahead of the first snowflake and will dispatch more than 1,600 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.



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• Have heightened awareness of cars, particularly when approaching or crossing intersections.

For more safety tips, visit <u>NYC.gov/SevereWeather</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 or to sign up, visit <u>NYC.gov/NotifyNYC</u>, call 311, or download the free app for your Android or Apple device. You can also follow @NotifyNYC on Twitter.

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