

## Part 3

## Snow and Ice on Sidewalks

§301. Definitions and Interpretation. The word "sidewalk" when used in this Chapter shall mean any improved pavement or part thereof fronting on a Township street and located within the curb line and the building (property) line of said street and shall also mean any unimproved or ground surface area or part thereof fronting on a Township street and located within the curb line and the building (property) line of said street if such area is used or usable as a walkway by the general public. The singular shall include the plural. (Ord. 78, 2/4/1963, §1)

§302. Responsibility for Removing or Treating Snow and Ice. The owner, occupant or tenant of every property fronting upon or alongside of any of the streets of the Township of Cumru is hereby required to remove or cause to be removed all snow and ice from all of the sidewalks in front of or alongside of such property, for a minimum width of four (4') feet measured from the curb line toward the building (property) line if there is no grassplot separating the curb from an improved pavement, or for a minimum width of four (4') feet measured from the line of the improved pavement located along the grassplot toward the building (property) line if there is a grassplot separating the curb from an improved pavement, but in no case exceeding the width of the sidewalk, within twenty-four (24) hours after said snow or ice shall have ceased to fall or to be formed on such sidewalks, unless said snow or ice shall have ceased to fall or to be formed on such sidewalks, unless said snow or ice be so hardened or frozen that it cannot be so removed without injury to the sidewalk, in which latter event the owner, occupant or tenant of every property fronting upon or alongside of any of the streets of the Township of Cumru is hereby required to place salt, sand or other abrasive material upon said snow or ice within the time above provided; provided, the owner of a property shall be responsible for conforming to the requirements of this §302 where such property is occupied by such tenant or occupant only. (Ord. 78, 2/4/1963, §2)

§303. Authority for Township to Remove or Treat Snow and Ice and Collect Cost and Additional Amount from Owner, Occupant or Tenant of Abutting Property. In any case where the owner, occupant or tenant, as aforesaid shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any of the provisions of §302 of this Part 3 within the time limit prescribed therein, the Township authorities may proceed immediately to clear the snow and/or ice from the sidewalk of such delinquent, and to collect the expenses thereof, with any additional amount allowed by law, from such owner, occupant or tenant, as the case may be, which may be in addition to any fine or penalty, imposed under §304 of this Part 3. (Ord. 78, 2/4/1963, §3)

§304. Penalty for Violation. Any owner or tenant who shall fail to remove any snow or ice from any sidewalk or to place salt, sand or other abrasive material upon such snow or ice on any sidewalk as required by §302 of this Part 3 shall, upon conviction thereof before any District Justice, be sentenced to pay a fine or penalty of not less than sixty dollars (\$60.00), and not exceeding six hundred (\$600.00) dollars and costs of suit, and, in default of payment thereof, to imprisonment in the County Jail

for not more than thirty (30) days; provided such fine or penalty and costs of suit may be in addition to any expenses and additional amounts authorized by law, imposed as provided in §303 of this Part 3. Each successive twenty-four (24) hours of failure to remove said snow or ice as required by §302 of this Part 3 shall constitute a separate offense punishable by a like fine or penalty. (Ord. 78, 2/4/1963, §4; as amended by Ord. 450, 10/4/1988)

§305. Unlawful to Cast or Deposit Snow and/or Ice in Streets of the Township. It shall be unlawful for any person, whether owner, occupant or tenant, in removing snow or ice from property fronting upon or alongside of any of the streets of the Township of Cumru, whether in compliance with the requirements of §302 of this Part 3, or otherwise, to cast, plow, throw, or deposit snow or ice from said property, its sidewalks, driveways or other areas, into the streets, cartways or public roads of the Township of Cumru at any time after said streets, cartways or public roads of the Township have been cleared of snow and ice by plowing, shovelling, salting, or cindering thereof by the Township. (Ord. 78, 2/4/1963; as amended by Ord. 332, 8/2/1977m §1)

§306. Penalty for Violation of §305. Any person, whether owner, occupant or tenant, who shall violate the provisions of §305 of this Part 3 shall, upon conviction thereof before any District Justice, be sentenced to pay a fine or penalty of not less than sixty dollars (\$60.00), and not exceeding six hundred dollars (\$600.00) and costs of suit and, in default of payment thereof, to imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than thirty (30) days. (Ord. 78, 2/4/1963; as added by Ord. 332, 8/2/1977, §1; as amended by Ord. 450, 10/4/1988)