

ERYC Winter, Snow Code and Gritting.

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Government snow code

You can clear snow and ice from pavements yourself. It's unlikely that you'll be sued or held responsible if someone is injured on a path or pavement if you've cleared it carefully.

How to clear snow and ice

When you clear snow and ice:

- do it early in the day - it's easier to move fresh, loose snow
- don't use water - it might refreeze and turn to black ice
- use salt if possible - it will melt the ice or snow and stop it from refreezing overnight (but don't use the salt from salting bins as this is used to keep roads clear)
- you can use ash and sand if you don't have enough salt - it will provide grip underfoot
- pay extra attention when clearing steps and steep pathways - using more salt may help

Further notes:

- Use salt or sand - not water.
- You can use ordinary table or dishwasher salt - a tablespoon for each square metre should work.
- Don't use the salt found in salting bins - this will be needed to keep the roads clear.
- Be careful not to spread salt on plants or grass as it may cause them damage. If you don't have enough salt, you can also use sand or ash.
- Offer to clear your neighbours paths.
- Check that any elderly or disabled neighbours are alright in the cold weather. If you're worried about them, contact the East Riding of Yorkshire Council on 393939