

# BE SMART ABOUT SALT!

FOLLOW THESE ROAD SALT PRACTICES TO PROTECT OUR ROADS AND STREAMS!



## 1. SHOVEL THEN SALT!

- Shovel your sidewalks and driveways before it turns to ice, then apply salt!
- You will need less salt and it will work more effectively.

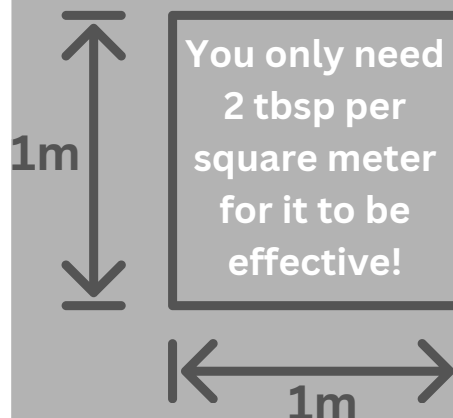


## 2. USE SALT AT TEMPERATURES RANGING FROM 2 TO -10°C

- Salt lowers the freezing point of water, so if the temperature is above 0°C, consider using sand or cat litter instead. These alternatives provide **traction** and can be **swept up and reused next year!**
- Check what range your salt works at. Some salts will **not work** at temperatures **below -10°C.**



## 3. A LITTLE GOES A LONG WAY!

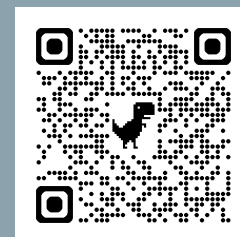


- Or one 12-ounce coffee mug of salt for a 500 square foot driveway.
- Less salt can **reduce impacts** to the **environment** & your **driveways & sidewalks!**

## 4. APPLY SALT EVENLY!

- Clumped salt, is wasted salt! **Sweep up & save the excess.**
- **Avoid** applying salt **near drains or waterways.**
- If you hire private salting companies, ask if they use **salt brine**. Salt brine is more effective at sticking to streets & preventing ice formation than rock salt, and it requires **50% less salt!**

LEARN MORE ABOUT ROAD SALT & ITS IMPACTS ON LOCAL STREAMS!



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