

Winterize

As the winter months approach and the temperatures drop, it may not be long before we have snow and ice to deal with. It is extremely important that these weather conditions be dealt with properly in order to ensure safe premises.

- Keep several snow shovels accessible.
- Contract with a licensed and insured snow removal company that will ensure adequate response time.
- These contractors should hold adequate liability insurance coverage with limits of at least \$1 million per occurrence, preferably \$2 million.
- Make sure all walks and drives are kept clear of snow and ice on a continuous basis. Passages to outdoor trash receptacles should also be kept clear. Use shovels/snowblowers and Ice Melt to accomplish.
- Never wash down an exterior surface with water when there is a chance of freezing temperatures.
- Keep gutters and downspouts free of ice and be sure they do not drain out onto a sidewalk or drive. Use Ice Melt for these areas frequently.
- Make sure that the exterior entrance and exit signs are clear and visible from all angles.
- Post “Caution — Wet Floor” signs throughout the lobby and dining room when the weather warrants. Each location should have at least six Caution signs.
- Mop floor frequently during winter weather storms.
- Keep plenty of Ice Melt (Calcium Chloride) handy at all locations.
- Make sure entry floor mats are kept free of tears and kinks.

Following these guidelines will assist at limiting liability losses.

Should you have any questions or need further assistance, please visit our website, send an email or call us.

