

Salt and Sand Usage

Winter Stormwater Stewardship

Salt and sand used to deice driveways and sidewalks keeps us from falling. But stormwater runoff flowing down streets and over land can collect winter sand, road salt, and more. What goes into our storm drains goes directly into waterbodies and carries whatever pollutants it may pick up along the way. Too much salt or sand can pollute our waterways.



Things You Can Do to Protect Water Quality and Prevent Pollution

- Salt **before** the storm to prevent ice.
- Remove snow **manually** before applying any salt or sand **sparingly**.
- Clean up any **extra** or **spilled** salt and sand.
- Store salt and de-icing chemicals **carefully**, away from drinking water supplies.
- Do not dispose of snow in waterbodies.
- Select **nontoxic** de-icing products.

For more information, call the Town of Hopedale Highway Department at 508-634-2203

