



§ 143-19. Wintertime parking restrictions.

A. Snow emergency, declaration and duration.

(1) A snow emergency shall automatically exist when the National Weather Service issues any of the following advisories for a forecast area that includes the Village of Wappingers Falls:

- (a) Blizzard warning.
- (b) Ice storm warning.
- (c) Snow squall warning.
- (d) Winter storm warning.
- (e) Winter weather advisory.

(2) When the National Weather Service has not issued a winter advisory listed in Subsection A(1) above, the Mayor or their designee may declare a snow emergency for the Village of Wappingers Falls whenever road conditions become hazardous such that the free movement of emergency, fire, health, police or other vehicular traffic may become impeded by reason of snow, freezing rain, sleet or other natural causes.

- (a) Upon the declaration of a snow emergency, the Village of Wappingers Falls shall contact the media and issue public announcements about the snow emergency by any reasonable means available.
- (b) It shall not be a defense to a charge of violating snow emergency regulations that the vehicle operator or owner was unaware of any such snow emergency announcement.

(3) Duration of snow emergency.

- (a) Any snow emergency declared as a result of a National Weather Service advisory described in Subsection A(1) above shall commence at the issuance of the weather advisory or one hour prior to the commencement of the warned time

period stated in the NWS advisory and shall cease 48 hours after the expiration of the NWS advisory, unless otherwise extended or terminated by the Mayor or their designee.

- (b) Any snow emergency declared by the Mayor or their designee shall commence within 30 minutes of the issuance of the declaration, or at such time stated in the declaration, and shall cease 48 hours after the issuance of the declaration of emergency, unless terminated earlier by the Mayor or their designee.
- (c) Continuation of the emergency beyond the forty-eight-hour time period shall be conveyed to the public by the Mayor or their designee through the media and the Village of Wappingers Falls website.

C. No parking during snow emergency.

- (1) No vehicle shall be left standing or allowed to remain parked upon any public highway of the Village of Wappingers Falls during a snow emergency.