

# SECTION 9000 – MAINTENANCE SERVICES

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9000 MAINTENANCE SERVICES

The Maintenance Division maintains all public rights-of-way in Ada County. The Maintenance Division is responsible for all street, roadway, bridge, equipment, and facility repair and maintenance.

9001 LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Idaho Code - Title 40, Chapters 13 & 14.

9002 GENERAL MAINTENANCE

District employees working out of the two (2) District maintenance stations shall perform general maintenance of all public rights-of-way in Ada County.

9003 PEDESTRIAN OVERPASSES

9003.1 General Maintenance

The District shall periodically inspect, paint, and repair pedestrian overpass structures.

9003.2 Winter Maintenance

The District de-ices walkways located in pedestrian overpasses as needed.

9004 BIKE LANES

9004.1 General Maintenance

The District shall conduct general maintenance and sweeping activities when bike lanes constitute a portion of the roadway surface.

9004.2 Winter Maintenance

The District shall not be responsible for snow/ice removal in bike lanes.

9005 GRAVEL ROAD GRADING

9005.1 General Maintenance

The District will grade gravel roads as needed.

9006 IRRIGATION FACILITIES

9006.1 General Maintenance

The District will maintain irrigation facilities that cross the right-of-way. The District will not maintain open or piped irrigation facilities parallel to the right-of-way.

9006.2 Erosion Damage

Repair of erosion damage to a roadway caused by an irrigation ditch parallel to the roadway is the responsibility of the irrigation or drainage district.

The adjacent property owner shall give proper support for the right-of-way.

9006.3 Sprinklers

Sprinkler systems shall be maintained by the adjacent property owner and shall not allow water on the public right-of-way.

9007 SIDEWALKS AND CURBS

9007.1 Sweeping

Ada County residents are responsible for sweeping and cleaning the sidewalks next to their property.

9007.2 Repair of Sidewalks

Refer to Section 6005 of the ACHD Policy Manual.

9007.3 Maintenance: Right-of-Way on Curbed Streets

Maintenance of the right-of-way area from the back of the curb to the adjacent owner's property line is the responsibility of adjacent property owners.

9008 REMOVAL OF DEBRIS

The removal of debris originating on private property is the responsibility of the property owner. This includes yard clippings, leaves, brush and other debris.

Property owners shall not place debris in the public right-of-way.

9009 WEED CONTROL

9009.1 Scope of Responsibility

Weed control along roadways that have a curb or sidewalk shall be the responsibility of the adjacent property owner. Weed control in the public right-of-way along roadways with no curb or sidewalk shall be the responsibility of the District.

9009.2 Irrigation Facilities

Weed control in irrigation or irrigation drains parallel to the public right-of-way must be done by the water users or irrigation district.

#### 9010 MAINTENANCE "NO PARKING" SIGNS

"No Parking 6 AM to 6 PM" signs shall be placed at least twelve (12) hours before they become effective. Local law enforcement agencies must be informed of sign locations and effective dates when they are placed.

Four (4) signs per block must be used in any central business district of any city. Three (3) signs per block must be used in residential areas.

If the work will not be completed at the times indicated by the signs, local law enforcement agencies must be informed.

#### 9011 WINTER MAINTENANCE POLICY

##### 9011.1 Anti-Icing

Anti-Icing will begin when, in the discretion of the District's on-call supervisor, weather forecasts indicate that vehicles equipped with proper ice and snow traction devices will not be able to safely travel District roadways.

Priorities for anti-icing are as follows: arterials, collectors, major intersections, overpasses, bridges, hospitals, fire stations, railroad crossings, school crossings, and streets with grades over six percent (6%).

##### 9011.2 Snow Plowing

Plowing will begin when, in the discretion of the District's on-call supervisor, vehicles equipped with proper ice and snow traction devices cannot safely travel District roadways.

Priorities for plowing are as follows: arterials, collectors, major intersections, overpasses, bridges, hospitals, fire stations, and streets with grades over six percent (6%).

Snow plowing should be completed in a manner so as not to impede District drainage facilities.

The District assumes no responsibility or liability for vehicles or other personal property located on any public right-of-way that may be impounded by plowed snow.

The District assumes no responsibility or liability for any harm or damage caused as a result of any public right-of-way that becomes blocked by plowed snow.

##### 9011.3 Snow Removal

Snow removal will begin when snow accumulations significantly reduce the intended function of the public right-of-way.

## 9012 TRIMMING ORGANIC OBSTRUCTIONS

### 9012.1 Scope of Responsibility

All plant materials growing in the public right-of-way between the back of the curb and the adjacent property owner's property are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.

Plant material growing on private property, including any plant material growing on private property that encroaches into the public right-of-way, shall be the responsibility of the adjacent property owner, not the District.

### 9012.2 Notification and Compliance

When plant material growing on private property causes damage to the public right-of-way, obstructs traffic, or keeps the District from performing normal maintenance activities, the property owner will be notified in writing to remove such obstructions, in accordance with Idaho Code § 40-2319. If removal is not completed within the required time, the District may assess fines, and/or remove the obstructions as provided by law and bill the cost of removal and any applicable legal action to the property owner.

## 9013 OBSTRUCTIONS IN PERMANENT UTILITY EASEMENTS

### 9013.1 Removal

The property owner shall remove permanent or temporary improvements or obstructions on utility easements as necessary for maintenance operations. The property owner will be requested in writing to remove such obstructions and will be given ten (10) days to comply. If removal is not completed within the required time, the District may, in addition to having the encroachment abated, require a \$50 fee for each day the nuisance remains after notice as well as the cost of any legal action.

### 9013.2 Restoration

After the required maintenance operation is completed, District crews will restore the property. District crews will use topsoil or gravel, whichever is preferred by the property owner. The property owner shall be responsible for replanting the site.

## 9014 DRAINAGE AND FLOODING

### 9014.1 Drainage Facilities

The District will not maintain drainage facilities outside the public right-of-way. Drainage facility relocation or maintenance on private property will be done only with Deputy Director approval.

#### 9014.2 Retention Ponds

The property owner shall maintain retention ponds outside of the public right-of-way.

#### 9014.3 Pipe Installation

The District shall install drainage pipe only in cases that benefit current improvements or increase the safety of current District facilities.

Property owners desiring driveway approaches crossing over drainage facilities shall obtain license agreements from the District. The District must be consulted and agree with the location and size of the pipe. The property owners are responsible for all expenses for such installations. Construction practices must meet District standards.

#### 9014.4 Flooding

At the discretion of the Deputy Director the District will support other agencies with personnel and equipment, as requested by City or County authorities.