

New Britain Police Department

Traffic Safety Bureau

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PRESS RELEASE – SNOW EMERGENCY PARKING BAN SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2013 AT 7:00 AM

The Mayor of the City of New Britain has ordered a snow emergency parking ban in response to winter storm Electra. The Parking Ban takes effect on Saturday, December 14, 2013 at 7:00AM.

When a parking ban is enacted all vehicles parked on city streets while the ban is in effect are subject to a \$100.00 parking ticket and *may* be towed at the owner's expense. Residents should expect that all vehicles parked on city streets in violation of the parking ban will be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense. Both fine amount and towing fees are required to be paid prior to the police department releasing vehicles back to their owners.

Residents are urged to cooperate with the parking ban so as to facilitate the removal of snow from city streets and avoid the inconvenience and expense of being towed.

Free parking will be available at the following locations during the ban:

- Osgood Park
- Stanley Golf Course
- Quonset hut parking lot at 655 Slater Rd.
- City parking lot on Main Street between NBPD and the CCSU ITBD building.
- City parking lot at Wildwood St. & Linden St. (next to Police substation)
- Washington Park (lot opposite Gold Street)
- Martha Hart Park
- City parking garage (Bank St./Chestnut St.)
- City parking garage (Columbus Blvd. at the corner of Washington St.)

Please remember that the final snow plow pass is not made until several hours after the storm has concluded. Our snow plow drivers are directed to try and minimize the amount of snow directed onto previously cleaned sidewalks and driveways, but it is often times unavoidable. For smaller storms residents may want to consider not clearing their driveways and sidewalks until after our snow plow drivers have completed the final pass of their street, or residents should recognize that they may need to clear their sidewalks and driveways more than one time for larger snow and ice storms.

What's also important is for residents that have a contractor clear their sidewalk, which many people do, in order to avoid being charged for multiple clearing they may want to call their contractor in advance, and ask that their sidewalk only be cleared after the end of the storm when street clearing operations have been completed.

Residents are also advised that those responsible for the maintenance of property with sidewalks are required to clear their sidewalks within six hours of daylight following the accumulation of snow. Those who do not clear their sidewalks may be fined accordingly.

The New Britain Fire Department has asked residents to assist them by clearing fire hydrants on their property in case of fire.

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