

Safe & Water-Wise WINTER SALT USE

❄️ SMART WINTER MAINTENANCE ❄️

PROTECT OUR PETS, ROADS & WATERWAYS

Salt wisely. Stay safe. Keep our streams clean.

WHY SALT USE MATTERS



PETS

Rock salt irritates paws and leads to high salt ingestion.



INFRASTRUCTURE

Causes billions of dollars in infrastructure damage nationwide each year to roads, sidewalks, bridges and cars.



WATER QUALITY

Salt washes into streams, rivers, and wells; most purification systems **cannot remove salt.**



ENVIRONMENT

Rising salinity harms aquatic life and freshwater ecosystems.

BEST PRACTICES FOR RESIDENTS



SHOVEL FIRST

to reduce the need for salt.



SALT WORKS BEST

on pavement after snow is removed.



IF IT CRUNCHES, IT'S TOO MUCH.

A thin layer is all that's needed.



SWEEP UP LEFTOVER SALT

for reuse.



PROTECT PETS

with pet-safe products near walkways.

RESIDENT-FRIENDLY ALTERNATIVES TO ROCK SALT



Kitty litter, sand, and birdseed

all can be used for temporary traction, and birdseed doesn't have to be cleaned up.



Pet-safe ice melt
(chloride-free options)



Calcium Magnesium Acetate (CMA)
for lower-corrosion melting



Small amounts of calcium chloride pellets
for stubborn icy spots

WANT TO HELP?



RESIDENTS:

Use salt sparingly and share these tips.



HOA RESIDENTS:

Contact your HOA Board or property manager about choosing vendors who use smart, water-wise salt strategies.



BUSINESSES:

Reach out to the Township EAC or SIMA for guidance on better winter maintenance practices.

RESOURCES:

PA Road Salt Action

<https://www.paroadsaltaction.org/>

Cleaner roads. Healthier waterways.
A stronger community.