



gloves, hat and boots in your car; also water and food in case you become stranded. If you must abandon your car, pull as far off the road as possible so snowplows can clear the street.

- Arterial streets are plowed first during a storm—those leading toward downtown Seattle in the early morning and away from downtown in the afternoon. Non-arterial streets are plowed only when the arterial streets are cleared. Streets with steep slopes may be closed. Plan your route accordingly.
- Do not allow your children to sled in the street, even if the street is closed to traffic—it is very dangerous. Call Seattle Parks and Recreation at (206) 684-4075 to learn if a golf course or park has been designated for sledding.

## Landslides

- To report a life-threatening landslide - evacuate the property and call 911. To report private property landslides that do not threaten public safety, call the Department of Design, Construction and Land Use (DCLU) (206) 684-8950 during business hours.
- In the event that a landslide causes damage on your property, a DCLU inspector, when notified of the event, can assess the hazard and its impact to structures in the area of the slide. Due to safety considerations, inspections will be limited to daylight hours. As a result of an inspection, your property/structure may receive a hazard placard posting of red, yellow or green.
- A red placard means a structure has been determined to be severely damaged, unsafe and illegal to enter or occupy. It then becomes the owner's responsibility to comply with the posting and prevent building entry.
- A yellow placard means there is damage or the structure may be dangerous to occupy. A yellow placard will usually restrict the use of the building - for example, no overnight occupancy or no use of a damaged or threatened portion of the structure.
- A green placard indicates that although the building may have suffered damage, at this point in time it is safe to occupy.
- In most cases, in order to change the status of a tagged building, you will need to hire a geotechnical and/or structural engineer (see the Yellow Pages, under "Engineers-Geotechnical-Soils") to provide a report to DCLU describing the level of hazard for the building and any repairs needed.
- As is the case in all emergency response, the initial evaluation is preliminary in nature and a final resolution and status will be deferred until such time as additional site-specific detailed information becomes available.



## Emergency Contacts:

### Life-threatening emergencies

911

Street damage emergencies that do not threaten public safety	
North of Denny Way	<b>(206) 684-7508</b>
South of Denny Way*	<b>(206) 386-1218</b>
After hours*	<b>(206) 386-1218</b>
Traffic signal/sign problems*	<b>(206) 386-1206</b>
Drainage or sewer emergencies*	<b>(206) 386-1230</b>
Fire hydrant or water utility problems*	<b>(206) 386-1800</b>
Electrical Outages*	<b>(206) 684-7400</b>
Red Cross*	<b>(206) 323-2345</b>
(emergency shelter, other assistance)	

### Emergency Resource Center

During significant weather-related emergencies that result in multiple landslides and/or water, drainage, sewer or electrical outage problems, the City may activate the Storm-Slide Citizen Resource number **(206) 684-3355**. Staff at this number may provide updates and answer questions during weather-related emergencies.

\*24-hour telephone numbers

**The Washington Relay Service is available for deaf or hard of hearing individuals only. Call 711 to access this service.**

## Other Resources

Private property landslides that do not threaten public safety; information about DCLU-tagged property (206) 684-8950

Building repair permits Business Hours (206) 684-8850

Low interest loans Business Hours (206) 684-0244  
Available for low to moderate income Seattle homeowners for home repairs with emphasis on code work, health and safety, energy efficiency, and accessibility. Homes must be owner-occupied and within the Seattle city limits.

Private property flood or sewer spill cleanup information  
Business Hours (206) 296-4632

Emergency Preparedness Information  
Business Hours (206) 233-5076



[www.cityofseattle.net/emergency\\_mgt/](http://www.cityofseattle.net/emergency_mgt/)



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# Weather Emergency Tips



**Seattle can experience weather-related emergencies at any time. This brochure provides emergency telephone numbers and tips on how to protect yourself and your property.\***

\*Disclaimer: Emergency conditions are unique. Contents of this brochure should not be relied upon as prescribing a recommended course of action in particular circumstances. Use your own judgment as to the best way to respond to a weather-related emergency.

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