

Frequently asked questions:

Why didn't I get a notice first?

Per section 203-20.C, no notice shall be required from or on behalf of the Township prior to the issuance of a citation under this section.

How long do I have to shovel my sidewalks?

24 hours after a snow storm or weather event ceases which causes the buildup of snow or ice on the sidewalk to remove said snow or ice for the width of the sidewalk for the entire length of the sidewalk which is on or abuts the landowner's property.

I have tenants. Why am I being issued a citation?

The Township is required to issue tickets and citations in the landowner's name. If you have tenants, disputes over responsibility for the failure to remove snow or ice are between you and your tenant(s).

Can I get cited several times after the same snow storm?

Yes. Each day the snow or ice remains on the sidewalk shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

What happens if I don't pay the Township within ten (10) days?

The Code Enforcement Officer will file a citation with the District Magistrates Office. A ticket is issued for the property, but when a citation is filed with the Magistrates office, additional filing fees and court costs will apply. The additional filing fees and court costs will exceed the amount of this ticket and may not be waived by the Township once filed.

My property received a ticket and I didn't pay it. Shortly after, my spouse and I both received a citation. Why are we both being cited?

When a ticket becomes a citation, the Township is required to issue the citations in all deed owner names. However, when one deed owner pleads guilty and pays the fine, the Township dismisses the other deed owners.

Will I get a receipt after I pay my ticket with the Township?

You will only receive a receipt if you request one. Otherwise, the ticket is the receipt. You are more than welcome to call the Township to make sure we received your payment.

Any questions may be directed to East Manchester Township at 717-266-4279.

The goal of the snow and ice ticket is to keep safe conditions in the Township and to keep costs down for the residents by giving them a chance to pay a lower fine in lieu of a fine with filing fees and court costs payable to the State, County and local court.