

Winter Weather Advisory and Parking Reminders

An important message from Sikorsky's Snow Removal Team:

Winter weather is rapidly approaching and we urge all employees to use extreme caution during what may be a hard winter ahead. Winter weather conditions can be difficult to manage for road crews, so employees are reminded to be attentive when driving and walking through parking areas.

Because Sikorsky operates 24 hours a day, individual parking lots can only be plowed or sanded efficiently when completely empty. Due to the large number of vehicles during the first shift, parking lots can not be plowed. However, roads and walkways are plowed and employees are asked to give the snowplows and sanders the right of way.

Due to the risk of damage, contractors will not sand or shovel between parked automobiles. Employees should not leave their vehicles in any parking lot overnight, as this impacts the snow removal progress.

Icing conditions tend to intensify due to warm temperatures during the day and freezing rain or condensation at night. Even with the application of sand and 24-hour snow plowing/clearing operations, potentially slippery conditions may remain.

To report unsafe icy/snow conditions in any Sikorsky Connecticut parking lot or walkway, employees should contact Stratford Guard Headquarters at 6-6461. In the event Guard Headquarters cannot be reached, the employee should contact Maintenance via the 1800 pager.

Currently, the snow removal operation at Sikorsky is performed by a contractor per guidelines established by the Sikorsky Facilities Department. Per the guidelines, all paved areas are prioritized to provide the safest conditions to our employees. However, after initial cleanup, there may be areas that require additional attention due to changing weather conditions.

As always, but especially during the winter season, employees should be cautious of pedestrians in the parking lot and other areas. Obey the posted speed limits and observe all stop signs. Remember drivers must always yield to pedestrians.

It is imperative that each person takes the following actions to protect him or herself while walking to and from the parking lots:

- Shorten up on your stride. The shorter the distance your feet are placed apart, the more control you will have.
- Slow down. It is easier to recover your balance while walking slowly than when walking at a faster pace.
- Wear proper footwear. Leather soles and high heels are no match for ice. Boots or rubber overshoes provide better surface contact.

Connecticut-based Sikorsky associates can obtain information from several sources about possible work-shift cancellations or delays due to severe weather. All efforts will be made to communicate shift-change information as early as possible. Employees are urged to listen to the local radio and television stations for the latest information.

During winter weather events, Stratford third shift employees are required to park only in lot #2A at the extreme south end of the facility. Only the employee entrances near Post 2 (Dairy Queen Entrance) and Post 5 will be activated for use. Please do not move your car to another parking area during the shift, as this will hamper snow-clearing activities.

Below are snow site maps for each Sikorsky Connecticut facility and third shift parking locations.

Stay safe this winter! Prepare yourself for winter driving and associated hazards. Take time to let your car warm up, and clear ice and snow from the vehicle. Use extra care when driving to and from work, and walking to and from work entrances. Consider joining AAA or find a local garage in advance to handle automotive emergencies. Please keep these safety tips in mind for the next storm or period of freezing rain. Thank you for your cooperation.