

New Enhanced Safety Features for Plow Trucks

This year, the Freeport Public Works Department has added safety features to our plow trucks that will help the general public to understand when & why a plow truck may be backing up and turning around in the roadway.

The Town of Freeport is separated into 7 plow routes. As plow trucks come to an intersection, it is necessary for them to turn around in order to plow the other side of the road. It may be difficult for motorists following behind a plow truck to be aware that the truck needs to back up.

To help motorists be able to determine when the trucks are backing up, we have installed (4) bright white flashing lights on the rear of our plow trucks. If a vehicle is following a plow truck and the truck reaches an intersection and comes to a stop, the motorist will notice these (4) bright white flashing lights indicating that the plow truck is starting to back up. Please give the truck as much room as possible. If you are approaching an intersection when a truck has these lights flashing, please stop.

For safety reasons, please do not try to pass the plow truck when this occurs, and please be patient and wait for the truck to finish backing up and finish making its turn around.

We would like to thank the public in advance for their patience as our plow trucks are trying to clear the roads to keep our Town safe. We hope our new safety features will help motorists understand and be able to anticipate what the plow trucks are trying to accomplish.