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## **Snow Emergency Plan - February 22, 2026**

(Leonardtown, Maryland) – The Snow Emergency Plan for St. Mary’s County will be placed into effect on February 22, 2026, at 1500 hours. The quick accumulation of predicted snow/ice is the main factor in implementing the plan. Road conditions will be closely monitored, and the Snow Emergency Plan will be lifted when the roads are safe for travel. While in effect, motorists are reminded of the following:

- Travel on snow emergency routes: A person may not drive or attempt to drive a motor vehicle on any highway that is designated and appropriately sign posted as a snow emergency route and for which a snow emergency has been declared and is in effect, unless the vehicle is equipped with chains or snow tires on at least one wheel at each end of a driving axle. *Please note most vehicles now use all weather tires, so changing to “snow” tires is unnecessary.*

- Prohibited Parking on snow emergency routes: A person may not park a vehicle on any highway that is designated and appropriately sign posted as a snow emergency route and for which a snow emergency has been declared and is in effect. The Maryland Department of State Police or the police of any political subdivision of this State may have any vehicle parked in violation of this subsection, will be towed from the highway.

The snow emergency plan will remain in effect until further notice.