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## **Extreme Hardship Snow Removal**

Snow removal bylaw extreme hardship determination policy

An amendment voted at the 10/18/04 Town Meeting states, "The property owner shall not be responsible for removing of snow on an abutting sidewalk if an extreme hardship is determined to exist. This determination to be made by the Town Manager or the Town Manager's agent."

An extreme hardship is defined as a situation that occurs that prevents an individual from performing the task and prevents the individual from hiring someone else to complete the task. These two parts may be the result of a single event or may be from two unrelated events.

The Town Manager reserves the right to request additional information from the owner prior to making a determination. Determinations may be for a single storm, a time frame or a snow season. All applicants must apply annually i.e. application is for the season of 2004-2005.

**Application for Extreme Hardship under Chapter 5 Section  
15.3 of the Town of Athol bylaws**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approximate length of sidewalk along abutters property:** \_\_\_\_\_ **feet**

**Number of adults in family:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for extreme hardship (please explain the hardship for both reasons):** .....

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**This request is for the 20\_\_ - 20\_\_ snow season.**

**Under the pains and penalties of perjury I, \_\_\_\_\_  
certify the above information to be true to the best of my knowledge.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**Send completed applications to:**

**Town Manager  
584 Main Street  
Athol, MA 01331**