Winter Preparation Tips

If your property owner provides heat, the interior temperature must be at least 68° Fahrenheit (20° Celsius) from 7AM to 11PM. Between 11PM to 7AM the temperature must not drop below 64° Fahrenheit (18° Celsius).

Do not turn your thermostat “OFF” when you leave for vacation. Set the temperature at least 55° Fahrenheit (13° Celsius) to prevent pipes from freezing in cold weather.

It is the property owner’s responsibility to have oil-fired boilers cleaned at least once a year.

Space heaters are not appropriate as your primary source of heat.

Make sure all openable windows are closed and locked to prevent drafts. Also remove any window-type air-conditioner or cover wall mounted air-conditioner.

Windows and doors are considered weather-tight if all panes of glass are present/unbroken, gaps around the frames are sealed and are able to open and close easily.

Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to ensure proper operation.

The property owner is responsible for clearing any common walkways and sidewalks of snow and ice within 24-hours after a storm and maintaining them clear.

If your car is parked on a street designated as a “Snow Emergency Route” and a snow emergency is declared, you must move your car or it will be towed.