

## PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS & SNOW REMOVAL REGULATIONS IN MICHIGAN

It's that time of year again here in Michigan – snow removal season. Laketon Township has been receiving quite a few complaints about a particular snow removal issue – that of plowing or blowing snow into or across the roads.

I'm sure everyone has seen where private driveways have been plowed and the snow pushed across the road. We have even received reports of snowblowers blowing the snow directly into the traveled road. Both of these actions are a violation of the Michigan Vehicle Code.

The Michigan Vehicle Code Section 677.a.4 states “A person shall not deposit, or cause to be deposited, snow, ice or slush on any roadway or highway”.

In some instances, the pushing or blowing of snow into or across the roadway has caused dangerous situations, particularly with visibility of traffic traveling on or entering the roadway. Therefore, Laketon Township is asking all homeowners and residents to refrain from pushing or blowing snow into or across the roadway.

Thank you for your cooperation.