

Info you need to know about the **Right of Way**

R.O.W. or Right-of-Way is property that is owned by the town, county or state on the edge of all roadways. The Right-of-Way can vary from 50 to 66 feet wide from side to side. Rule of thumb is that you measure 33 feet from the centerline of the road going in both directions and that is generally the R.O.W. Main roads are generally either a 3-rod road which is 49.5 feet wide or a 4-rod road which is 66 feet wide. Subdivisions R.O.W.'s are generally 50-60 feet wide. In either case, approximately 18' of the lawn is usually in the R.O.W. This area is **RESERVED** for, public utilities, drainage work, new driveway installation, and driveway improvements.



The following are **PROHIBITED** in the R.O.W.

- ❖ Residential construction (fences, bus stops)
- ❖ Trees or Shrubbery
- ❖ Sprinkler systems
- ❖ Ornamental landscaping (such as berms or rocks)
- ❖ Invisible fencing
- ❖ Lighting
- ❖ Personal signage
- ❖ Parked Vehicles (**Local Law #5-2007**)

Town of Ogden winter parking ordinance number 197-24.1 states that the parking of vehicles is hereby prohibited on all highways and rights-of-way within the Town of Ogden between the hours of 7PM and 7AM from November 15th through April 15th of each year. Any vehicle found in violation of this statute shall be considered abandoned. Such vehicle shall be removed by or under the direction of the Police Department as provided in this Chapter.

- ❖ Snow from driveway plowing (**Section 169-1 Town Code**)

During the winter months it is imperative that residents clearing snow from their driveways not deposit the snow into the roadway. Whether by plow, snowblower, shovel or any other means, leaving snow or ice in the roadways creates a hazard for the traveling public. Whether you are clearing your driveway yourself or a contractor is handling it for you make sure the snow from your driveway is pushed well off the shoulder of the roadway so it does not create a road hazard for oncoming traffic. It is also against the law. Section 169-1 of the town code allows for a \$250 fine plus labor costs imposed on the resident for leaving snow, ice or other substances upon the highway, which includes, pavement, shoulders and ditches. Please advise your snow removal contractor that you are liable.

If any of the above listed prohibited items are found to be in the R.O.W. they may be asked to be removed or removed by the highway department at the owner's expense. Also, if any of these items are damaged during operations of snow plowing, working on drainage issues or sanitary storm work the repair cost is not the responsibility of the town. Furthermore, if any town vehicle is damaged by any of these items the repair cost to the vehicle will fall on the resident.

All work within the R.O.W. requires an approved 149 permit from the highway department.

For any additional questions that you may have regarding the R.O.W. please contact the highway department.

Thank you for your cooperation.

