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WINTER STORM PREPARATION

Seal Beach, CA – As we enter the winter rainy season, the City of Seal Beach wants to remind the community how to best prepare for significant storms. The City of Seal Beach Marine Safety Department, Public Works Department, Orange County Fire Authority, and Police Department will monitor conditions throughout the winter season and respond appropriately as issues arise. Residents are encouraged to monitor the surf and weather conditions and take steps to protect themselves and their property.

- Have pre-filled sandbags available for immediate use at your home.
- On nights before trash pick-up days, place trash cans 12" away from the curb so the gutter is not obstructed during rain events. If gutters fill with rushing water, they can knock over cans and carry garbage down to block storm drain entrances. Do not park cars in front of the trash cans, so they are accessible for collection.
- If possible, park your cars in your driveway rather than the street, to protect your engine and electronics. Engine up towards garage door is safest. This is especially helpful if you live near areas prone to water pooling, such as College Park East and Old Town.
- Please, wait to drive in flooded areas until floodwaters recede. Driving on flooded streets causes wakes to form (even at low speeds) and pushes water up onto parked cars and into garages.
- For everyone's safety, please keep children and pets out of floodwater. Even shallow water can contain debris or bacteria that may cause illness.
- Monitor the Seal Beach Police Department's social media outlets (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter) for information updates.
- If you see fallen trees or tree branches, call the Seal Beach Police Department non-emergency line at (562) 594-7232

Sandbagging Locations:

The City of Seal Beach and OCFA have established multiple locations where residents can have complimentary sand and empty sandbags. The sandbag locations are:

- Fire Station 44 – 8th Street and Central Avenue *
- Fire Station 48 - 3131 Northgate Road (at the 405 freeway) *
- Arbor Park - 4665 Lampson Avenue

*Maintained by Orange County Fire Authority

Emergency Notification System:

AlertOC is a mass notification system used by the City of Seal Beach and the Seal Beach Police Department to issue government-related messages to residents and businesses. All residential and commercial landline phone numbers are a part of the AlertOC system. AlertOC replaced the old "Reverse 911" system. Residents can register additional cell phone numbers, text numbers, and e-mail addresses at AlertOC.com.

To receive real-time updates, the SBPD also encourages the public to sign up for Nixle Alerts. You can do this by visiting <https://www.nixle.com/> or texting your zip code to 888777.

Please follow the Seal Beach Police Department on social media @sealbeachpolice for further updates.

**Republic Trash Services Holiday Schedule
Winter Holidays**

No waste collection December 25 or January 1					
Regular Collection Day	Monday 12/22 and 12/29	Tuesday 12/23 and 12/30	Wednesday 12/24 and 12/31	Thursday 12/25 and 1/1	Friday 12/26 and 1/2
Holiday Schedule	No Change	No Change	No Change	Friday	Saturday

Special Notes: We will observe Christmas Day on Thursday, 12/25/25. Services will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week. For more information: <https://www.republicservices.com/sealbeach.ca>

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