

**YORK COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
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The snow is falling again and it is piling up to near record amounts. Yes this is Maine and it snows here every winter. However now is the time to take some mitigation measures to reduce potential damage and injuries?

Roofs are loaded with snow and the weight is getting quite heavy, Now is the time to remove the snow before it gets rained on and become more dangerous. Yes ice dams can cause major damage to structures and have been reported. Act now while outside check the exterior vents for monitor heaters, water heaters and dryers, Snow plugged vents will put fumes back into the house.

If you reside in an area where there are fire hydrants take the time to clean out the hydrant, it could be a life saver if needed. Make sure you have two means of egress from your home, yes it means moving more snow but if you had to evacuate it could be a life saver for your family,

These items are all things we have done before in past winters however now is the time to stop and think about mitigating the future impacts of this real Maine winter.

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