

# Mcfall and Berry's Winter Blast



With winter here, Mcfall and Berry would like to help make sure that you are prepared for and informed of any weather that may occur.

Some general helpful hints:



- Check now for trees leaning heavily, near or on your buildings and have trimmed or removed as needed
- Make sure that your gutters and downspouts are all clean and free of debris and fastened securely



- Designate on a site map exactly where the snow will be piled up and share it with your community so they will be aware of this plan. You may also want to designate any special no parking areas if needed.

- Prepare emergency generators if needed, for power outages



- Be sure and order and have on hand any snow removal chemicals if you are doing this activity in house.

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Here at Mcfall and Berry, we consult a variety of resources to help us stay informed and be able to efficiently serve our customers when it comes to winter storm management/snow removal. Our in house meteorologist helps us to coordinate information for our plan of action for winter storms.

We realize that there are many sources for weather information, but we have consistently used these resources over time and together they have given us a great resource to plan our winter storm management plan. Here are some resources that we use, that you can click on and look at some of the same things we do:

1. Regional Radar showing snow in BLUE, freezing rain or sleet in PINK and rain in GREEN. You can also see the general movement of any precipitation into and across your area:

<http://www.intellicast.com/National/Radar/Current.aspx?location=USVA0659&enlarge=true&animate=true>

2. Local Weather Forecast

<http://www.wunderground.com/cgi-bin/findweather/getForecast?query=brookeville%2Cmd>

3. A behind the scenes National Weather Service discussion. A bit more technical but informative.

<http://www.wunderground.com/DisplayDisc.asp?DiscussionCode=LWX&StateCode=MD&SafeCityName=Brookeville>

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4. The Capital Weather Gang provides a local, non-hyped, explanation of what may occur and does a good job of explaining weather possibilities for the average person.

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/capital-weather-gang/>



**STAY SAFE, WARM and BE PREPARED!**