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## **Sustainable Initiative – Salting Smart**

The City of La Crosse wants to encourage people to be mindful when using salt for their sidewalks and driveways. You can keep sidewalks and driveways safe this winter while protecting our waters by following these simple steps:

## - SHOVEL

 Clear walkways and other areas before the snow turns to ice. The more snow you remove manually, the less salt you will have to use and the more effective it will be

## - SCATTER

o If you use salt, scatter it so that there is space between the grains. Believe it or not, a 12 oz coffee mug of salt is enough to treat an entire 20-foot driveway or 10 sidewalk squares.

## - SWITCH

 When pavement temperatures drop below 15 degrees, salt won't work. Switch to sand for traction or a different ice melt that works at lower temperatures.

Optional salt cups will be available for those who want to join the Sustainability Initiative. Please take this brief <u>survey</u> to obtain a salt cup. More information about this Sustainable Initiative can be found on the new Parks and Recreation - <u>Sustainability page</u>.



