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Sandbags Available for Pickup This Week – No Cost to Residents

The City of Shreveport is offering free sandbags to residents this week to help prepare for potential flooding and severe weather. Sandbags are available at no cost; however, there is a limit of 15 bags per vehicle.

Pickup Location:

Streets and Drainage Warehouse
3825 Mansfield Road

Hours of Operation:

7:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Please note that delivery is not available, and residents are responsible for loading and transporting their own sandbags.

For additional updates and weather-related information, follow the City of Shreveport on social media.

In the aftermath of a severe storm, navigating the streets safely is paramount. To assist motorists in safely navigating through post-storm challenges, we offer the following guidance:

1. ****Treat Traffic Lights as 4-Way Stops: **** If traffic lights are out due to power failures or damage, treat intersections as four-way stops. The first vehicle to arrive should stop, and

then has the right of way. If vehicles arrive at the same time, the vehicle to the right has the right of way. Be especially courteous and cautious.

2. **Reduce Speed and Increase Distance:** Roads may be slick and debris-strewn after a storm. Reduce your speed and increase following distance to allow for unexpected obstacles or sudden stops.

3. **Stay Informed:** Keep abreast of road closures, detours, and weather updates through local news sources or official channels. Avoid unnecessary travel in heavily affected areas.

4. **Use Headlights and Signals:** Ensure your vehicle's headlights are on, even during the day, to increase visibility for yourself and other drivers. Use turn signals well in advance to communicate your intentions.

5. **Watch for Fallen Debris:** Be vigilant for fallen trees, branches, or debris on the roadway. Proceed with caution and report any hazards to local authorities.

6. **Avoid Flooded Areas:** Do not attempt to drive through flooded roadways, as water depth can be deceiving and pose significant dangers. Turn around and find an alternate route.

7. **Patience is Key:** Traffic congestion and delays may be inevitable during post-storm cleanup efforts. Exercise patience and refrain from aggressive driving behaviors.

By adhering to these safety tips and exercising caution, drivers can contribute to safer roadways and facilitate the post-storm recovery process.

If you have questions or need further information, please reach out to City of Shreveport Public Works Department at 318-673-6300.

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