

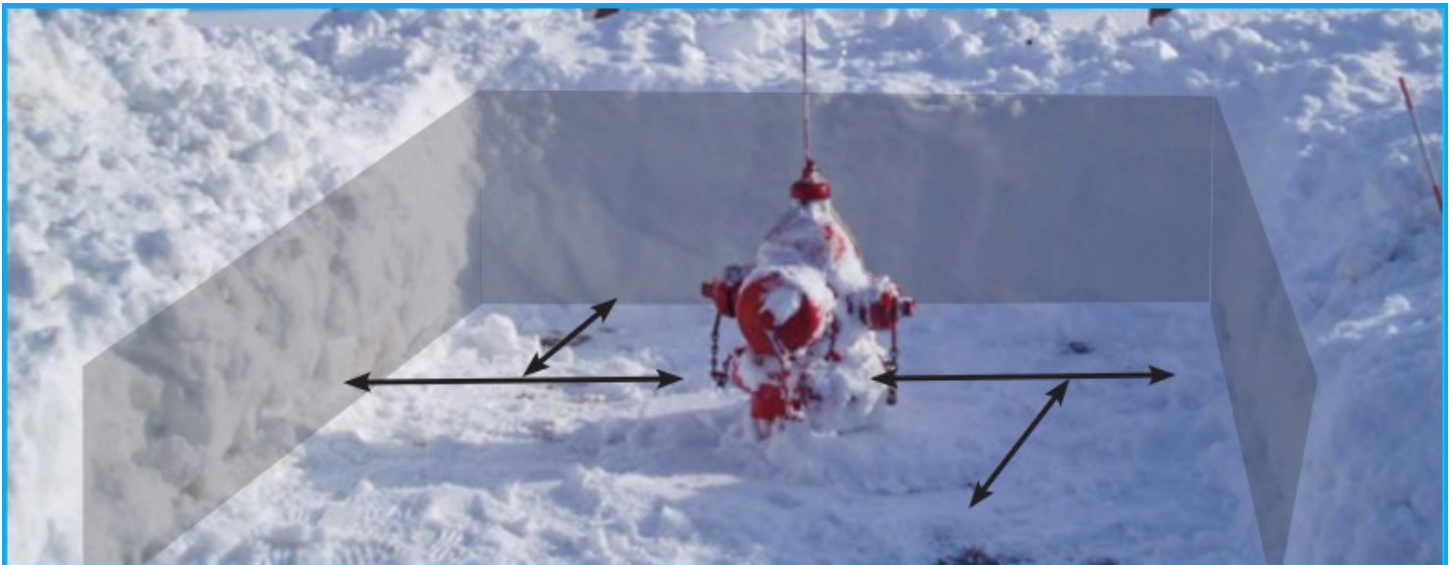
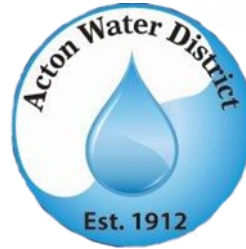


1st Annual Host a Hydrant

Fire Hydrant Snow Clearing Contest



January 21st — March 6th



CLEAR-AWAY ZONE: 3 FT. FROM ALL SIDES OF HYDRANT

When seconds count, having a hydrant shoveled ahead of time can make a difference. Our engines carry 750 gallons of water and can pump up to 1,500 gallons per minute. Under good conditions (i.e. a warm summer afternoon) it can take 3 ½ to 4 minutes to hook-up to a hydrant. When an engine is running off tank water, we have less time than that before the water runs out. Having hydrants shoveled out saves precious time.

Eligibility

Contestants must complete the form located at: <http://www.acton-ma.gov/hydrant> and include the following:

- Name
- Address
- Address of Hydrant you are hosting
- Include a before and after photo of the hydrant

Rules

- No use of blow torches
- No use of heavy machinery
- Since Hydrants are along streets, work with a buddy to keep watch for oncoming traffic
- Do not shovel snow into street

Prizes

First place:
Grand Marshal in our 125th year Anniversary parade, plaque, and \$25 gift certificate (to be determined)

Second place:
Pizza party for 5 people at the fire house

Third Place:
4 - 125th Anniversary t-shirts

Choosing a Winner

Hydrants will be randomly inspected and judged by the Acton Fire Department and Acton Water District

The contestant with the most enthusiasm, and the cleanest hydrant will win