



Let's be Salt Smart!



Winter can be really slippery, and salt can be used to melt the ice on roads and sidewalks to help keep everyone safe. But did you know that too much salt can be bad for our rivers, plants, pets and roads?

Let's learn how to use salt the smart way!

Why We Use Salt:

- Safety First: Salt helps melt ice on roads and sidewalks so we don't slip and fall.
- How does this work? Salt lowers the freezing point of water, turning ice back into liquid.

The Best Way to Use Salt:

- Less is More: Only use the right amount of salt. More salt doesn't melt more ice; it only goes to waste.
- Spread Evenly: Scatter the salt evenly over the icy areas where you will be walking, like your porch or driveway.
- Clean Up: Once the ice melts, sweep up the leftover salt so it doesn't wash away into our waterways.

Reasons to Be Salt Smart:

- Happy Pets: Salt can irritate your pets' paws and be harmful if ingested.
- Strong Roads: Excess salt can damage roads and sidewalks over time.
- Being Salt Smart protects clean water in our local water bodies.

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By taking this quiz, you are pledging to be a Salt Smart Hero!



Salt Smart Pledge

I promise to help keep everyone safe and protect the environment by being Salt Smart. I will use the right amount of salt, spread it evenly in the right places and clean up any extra!

Write your name on the badge!

1. Why is salt used in the winter?

2. What happens if too much salt is used?

3. When placing salt down, how should it be spread and where?

4. Should salt be left on the ground after ice melts?

5. Name one reason why we should all be Salt Smart?
