

The Checklist

[2026 Marion Commercial Winter Readiness Checklist]

[Provided by JC Handyman Services](#)

*** Use this checklist to audit your property before the first Grant County lake-effect snow hits. Proper prep reduces your liability and prevents costly property damage.*

Phase 1: Exterior Safety Audit

- Lighting Check: Are all parking lot poles and entryway lights functioning? (Crucial for identifying black ice at 6:00 AM).
- Drainage Inspection: Are storm drains and catch basins clear of fall leaves? (Blocked drains cause melting snow to refreeze into ice patches).
- Handrails & Ramps: Are all ADA ramps and stairs secure? Inspect for loose bolts that could fail under heavy snow loads.
- Hazard Mapping: Have you marked "hidden" hazards like fire hydrants, speed bumps, and low curbs with high-visibility stakes?

Phase 2: Building Protection

- Entryway Mats: Do you have heavy-duty, absorbent mats (at least 15 feet long) at every entrance to catch moisture and salt?
- Gutter Check: Are gutters clear? Clogged gutters lead to ice dams that can damage your roof and create dangerous icicles over doorways.
- Pipe Prep: Are exterior water faucets shut off and lines drained?

Phase 3: Operations & Logistics

- Trigger Depth: Have you confirmed your "Trigger Depth" (e.g., 1" or 2") with your contractor?
- Snow Storage: Do you have a designated "Stacking Zone" that won't block driver sightlines or handicap parking?
- Emergency Contact: Do you have a 24/7 direct line to your snow removal supervisor?

The Proof

[Why the "JC Standard" Protects Your Business]

*** When you hire JC Handyman Services, you aren't just getting a plow; you're getting a liability defense team.*

- **GPS-Verified Service Logs**

We provide digital breadcrumbs for every visit. If a slip-and-fall claim is filed, we provide the time-stamped "In/Out" reports and "Before/After" photos to prove your lot was maintained to the highest standard.

- **Liquid Brine Technology**

We use liquid anti-icing *before* the storm. This prevents snow from bonding to the pavement, meaning we clear to "bare pavement" faster and use less harsh rock salt that can damage your concrete and landscaping.

- **\$2M+ Liability Coverage**

We carry comprehensive commercial insurance specifically rated for snow operations. We protect your property and your peace of mind.

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