

Governor's Office Statement on Weather Conditions

State of Delaware Offices in New Castle County Closed Today

(Wilmington) – For Tuesday, December 10, State of Delaware offices in New Castle County are closed during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Non-essential employees who live or work in New Castle County are not report to work for this period. Non-essential employees who live or work in New Castle County and who work second and third shift are also not to report to work. Essential employees are to report as scheduled. This is due to a concern that, given the timing of the storm and snow amounts in New Castle County, secondary and tertiary roads in New Castle County will not have been cleared by the afternoon commute.

The Governor's Office released this statement in conjunction with the decision to close offices:

"The forecast for this storm is that the snow will fall heaviest between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. and will amount to up to 6 inches in New Castle County. Given that timing and that amount of snow, the DelDOT crews that will be out statewide today may be able to keep the primary roads clear for the afternoon rush hour, but drivers going home from work will likely be facing secondary roads, local streets and back roads that may not have been plowed. So removing non-essential state employees who live or work in New Castle County from that afternoon rush hour is the cautious thing to do. We suggest drivers in New Castle County who do not need to travel to delay or refrain from going on the roads late this afternoon to give DelDOT plows time and ability to work."

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