

Safety Short

Salt and Sand Sheds-Preventative Maintenance

Every winter we hear about the collapse of one or more salt/sands shed due to structural problems or excessive snow load. This can damage equipment stored inside and potentially causing serious injury or death to employees.



Don't let this happen to you!

Posted below are photos and descriptions of various salt/sand shed construction types typically found in Maine. Once you locate the type the most closely resembles your shed, you will also find a list of potential hazards and tips to keep your salt/sand shed in safe functional condition.

For more information on snow loads on structures, go to:

FEMA's [Snow Load Safety Guide](#)

See also our Loss Control Advisories on [Preventing Roof Collapse-Ice and Snow Accumulations on Roofs](#)

OSHA-[Falls and Other Hazards to Workers Removing Snow From Rooftops](#)