

From Litchfield Emergency Management:

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### Upcoming Cold and Snow

Wind chill factors predicted for Saturday, January 24 and Sunday, January 25, will push temperatures into the negative double digits. Saturday morning is predicted to be the coldest, with wind gusts as high as 25pmh in this area. Sunday the winds will be less and the temperatures will rise slightly but still below zero wind chill values are predicted. Sunday afternoon snow is forecast which will continue through most of the day Monday. Totals could be as much as 12" for this area.

Litchfield Emergency Management is monitoring this storm and is ready to assist if needed. We would encourage you to view the Maine Emergency Management website for information on preparedness and a list of warming centers (listed by county) that are planned to be open this weekend. <https://www.maine.gov/mema/response-recovery/mass-care>

Please be very careful with alternative or auxiliary heating sources. These require attention and care to avoid a fire hazard. Please use alternative heating sources only in the way intended by the manufacturer and make certain flammable materials are well away from the heat source and the unit is placed on a stable surface.

Finally, it is a good time to make certain your batteries are working in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. Certainly if you are in a situation where you need to operate a generator, even a professionally installed automatic standby unit, have a carbon monoxide detector in your living and sleeping space.

Stay safe and warm, look out for your neighbors and family.

All the best,

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