

# Access & Egress Routes

Snow hides many unseen trip or slip hazards. When we take a short-cut and don't use the pathways that have been cleared of snow and sanded, we create a **goat trail**.

After we use these goat trails they become hard-packed, slippery, and uneven, which creates a high potential for slips and trips. These are tempting to use, but put ourselves and our fellow workers as well at risk.



**QUESTION: If the snow depth is 3 feet, would we use a sanded and cleared path, or be tempted to create a goat trail?**

**ANSWER: The cleared path.**

If the snow was that deep, you would probably realize it's more convenient to take the cleared path. The amount of time saved in not taking a cleared path or not clearing a path before using the access is not worth the risk. Keep to the established walkways, report any slippery areas, or better still, sand them yourself.



**There are established walkways to safely access certain work areas.**

**Use them!**

