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Does Cold Weather Stop Work?

As winter approaches, we often get asked the question of whether we can work in cold weather. The answer is – ABSOLUTELY!

In fact, Hydro Excavation is the safest method and best practice for cold weather digging. Injecting pressurized, heated water into the surface of the frozen soil immediately thaws the frost to create a slurry that can be quickly removed through an industrial vacuum. Heated water then circulates through the system while the Hydro Vac is on standby to prevent freeze-ups. This method allows for a safe and efficient digging and excavation process.

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Christmas Sprinkle Cookies



Ingredients:

1-1/2 c unsalted sweet cream butter, softened
1-1/2 c sugar
2 large eggs
1 tbsp pure vanilla extract

4-1/4 c flour
1-1/2 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp baking soda
1/4 tsp cream of tartar
1 container Christmas sanding sugar

Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 350* degrees and line cookies sheets with parchment paper. Set aside.
- Cream the butter and sugar .
- Beat in the eggs, one at a time.
- Mix in the vanilla.
- In a separate bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, and Cream of Tartar. Gradually incorporate into the wet ingredients and mix until just combined.
- Using a small ice cream scooper, scoop out dough and roll into a ball. Set aside.
- Pour the sanding sugar into a large bowl and roll each dough ball into the sanding sugar then place back onto the cookie sheets, about 2-3 inches apart from each other.
- Once all dough balls have been coated into the sanding sugar, using the bottom of a buttered glass, lightly push down the dough balls into thick disk.
- Bake for 11-13 minutes or until lightly browned.



The holidays are busy and can be a **STRESSFUL** time! We're giving you permission to relax and enjoy some cookies and a cocktail. We may not be able to take away all the stress, but we can help you out with the fun!

Ingredients:

- 2 ¼ oz. bourbon
- 1 ½ oz. unsweetened cranberry juice
- ½ oz. lemon juice, freshly squeezed
- 1 oz. simple syrup
- Lemon slices and cranberries, for garnish

Instructions:

1. Fill a cocktail shaker with ice.
2. Pour the bourbon, cranberry juice, freshly squeezed lemon juice and simple syrup into the cocktail shaker.
3. Place the lid onto the cocktail shaker, and shake vigorously.
4. Fill a glass with ice then pour the drink over the ice cube/whiskey stones.
5. Garnish with a slice of lemon or a couple of cranberries, and enjoy immediately.



ON THE JOB WITH MJ MINOR...



A local apartment complex had settling issues in the parking lot. MJ Minor diagnosed and dug the area up to find a broken storm drain.

We fixed the storm drain, camera and jetted to make sure there were no other issues and installed a new manhole.

Finally, we poured the parking lot back and left with a happy client.



On this job, we performed an exploratory hydro dig to chase an unknown storm drain.

We were able to hydro a small hole and cut an access hole to camera and locate the line.

We minimized damage to the facility's landscaping by using our vac truck.



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Project After Project,

MJ MINOR UTILITY CONTRACTOR

Makes A Difference
In How You Get The Job
Done!

MJ Minor Utility Contractor has been proudly serving a diverse customer base in Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota since 2003. We are passionate about what we do and have earned a reputation that goes above and beyond to meet the needs of our customers.

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Cold weather digging using Hydro Excavation is beneficial for many reasons. The most important benefit is that Hydro Excavation can cut through frozen ground. Equipped with high power coil heaters, our trucks allow for smooth excavation in harsh winter conditions. It's also common for some construction sites to become less accessible during the cold weather. Our Vac Trucks can reach hundreds of feet from the main site, creating ease of accessibility. Finally, using Hydro Excavation is essential for cold weather digging when working with buried underground facilities. This is especially helpful when dealing with unknown underground lines that only a Hydro Excavation team can work around.

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TEAM MEMBERS WANTED

MJ Minor Utility Contractor continues to grow and we are looking for a few more extraordinary team members!

We provide a great experience for our team and customers with great benefits.

If you know someone who is motivated to provide exceptional customer service in a fast-paced work environment, reach out to us at Candie.Juarez@NSCHoldingsllc.com.