



Snow and Ice Control Policy

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish the effective and efficient provision of Snow and Ice Control Operations allowing the municipality to function under normal winter weather conditions. A policy is necessary to make a clear statement of the intent of municipal snow and ice control operations and establish a framework for the priorities within which resources will be applied.

POLICY

1. The intent of Snow and Ice Control Operations is to maintain municipal streets and sidewalks in a safe and passable condition. Snow and Ice Control services are not intended to eliminate all hazardous conditions on municipal streets or sidewalks. They are intended to assist vehicles which are properly equipped for winter driving and being operated in a manner consistent with good winter driving practices and to maintain safe and passable walking conditions (which may not always be on sidewalks) for pedestrians in winter footwear.
2. The Town is responsible for Snow and Ice Control Operations of municipally owned streets, sidewalks that are adjacent to municipal owned property, streets, pathways, boulevards and Municipal Facilities.

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

1. Snow and Ice Control Operations, including sanding and/or the application of de-icing materials, on Town owned streets will be undertaken by the Town through the Public Works and Maintenance Department.
2. Snow and Ice Control Operations for sidewalks that are adjacent to municipal owned property, pathways, boulevards and Municipal Facilities will be undertaken by the Town through the Public Works and Maintenance Department.

3. Snow and Ice Control priorities are subject to change based on circumstances surrounding a particular snow fall at management's discretion. Snow and Ice Control priorities following the end of a typical snow event shall be as follows in Schedule "A"

Priority One: Purple Area
Main transportation routes, emergency vehicle access

Priority Two:
The timing of all other routes to be cleared will be determined by Management.

4. Vehicles, trailers and any other items stored or otherwise parked are prohibited from parking on boulevards from October 1st to April 30th. Vehicles in regular use (that are being used everyday) may not be parked on the boulevards for periods longer than 72 hours.
5. It is the Town's intention that Snow and Ice Control Operations shall be carried out in a manner as to minimize impact to the Environment. The use of salt and other de-icing chemicals will be minimized whenever possible. It is recognized that under certain circumstances it is necessary to apply de-icing chemicals to streets, sidewalks that are adjacent to municipal owned property, pathways, boulevards and Municipal Facilities to maintain safe and passable conditions.
6. Snow and Ice Control Operations for residential driveways will allow for a maximum 24 foot section to be cleared by the Town through the Public Works and Maintenance Department to provide access to a driveway.
7. Snow and Ice placed on municipal streets, sidewalks, pathways, or Municipal Facilities by individuals or companies will not be permitted.
8. Property owners are expected to remove snow and ice from any adjacent sidewalks within 24 hours of the end of a snow event.
9. Back Alleys will not be cleared until all municipal streets, sidewalks that are adjacent to municipal property, pathways and Municipal Facilities have been completed and then only alleys where residents need access to rear garages will be scheduled.

Resolution No.:

Bylaw No. Reference: None

Legislative Reference: None

Areas of Responsibility: Public Works and Maintenance Department/ Infrastructure Committee

Schedule A

