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**PURPOSE:**

To provide for the safe passage of vehicles and pedestrians within the City of Revelstoke during snow and ice season.

**POLICY:**

THAT it be a Council policy to provide the Public Works Department with direction for snow and ice control of municipal roads, to maintain the safest driving, and walking conditions possible, in a timely manner, given the prevalent weather conditions, in accordance with priorities identified by Council, included as Schedule A of the Policy. The system of snow and ice control established by this policy is a reasonable allocation of budgetary resources, and the availability of City of Revelstoke personnel, and equipment considering its other social, and budgetary priorities.

**DEFINITIONS:**

The following definitions apply to this policy:

- Roads** include asphalt roads and lanes but do not include gravel roads.
- Snow Event** is a snowfall of greater than 10 cm;
- Snow Plowing** means to move or push the accumulation of snow from the driving lanes of a road, towards the edge, or center of the road, and left in a windrow, or stockpile. Snow plowing is done using equipment, including, but not limited to, graders, loaders, plow trucks, municipal tractors and skid-steer loaders. Snow will not be cleared to bare pavement;
- Snow Removal** involves loading the windrowed snow onto trucks, and subsequently hauling the snow to snow disposal sites.
- Snow** means to manually move, or push the accumulation of snow from the middle to edge of the sidewalk, or stairs, and left in a



<b>Shoveling</b>	windrow or stockpile. Snow will not be cleared to bare concrete/pavement;
<b>Ice Control</b>	Involves the control of the build-up of packed snow, or ice, on roadways through the use of equipment, abrasive materials, or chemicals;
<b>Sanding</b>	involves the application of treated, or dry sand to roadways to improve traction;
<b>Bare Surface</b>	snow remaining on either the roadway pavement, or the concrete sidewalk, after Snow Plowing has concluded, shall not exceed four (4) cm;
<b>Compacted Snow Surface</b>	snow that has accumulated on the roadway surface, and is packed by traffic or leveled by snow plows;
<b>Recorded Temperature</b>	the temperature recorded by Environment Canada.
<b>Winter Operational Hours</b>	means a regularly scheduled shift Monday through Sunday inclusive from Dec 1- March 1
<b>Downtown Core</b>	means the area bounded by Victoria Rd to the east 4 <sup>th</sup> St to the west and Garden Ave to the north and Robson Ave to the south.
<b>Night Shifts</b>	means scheduled staff from 9:00 pm to 6:00 am, five(5) days a week for the purpose of utilizing existing staff resources to conduct snow and ice control.
<b>Day shift</b>	means scheduled staff from 6:00 am to 3:00 pm, five(5) days a week for the purpose of utilizing existing staff resources to conduct snow and ice control.
<b>Windrow</b>	means a row of snow that is left from a snow plow's blade when clearing the public roadway, and sidewalks. Windrows occur as an outcome of Snow Plowing activities.
<b>Stockpile</b>	means snow that has been deposited into a pile during snow and ice control activities.
<b>Extraordinary Snowfall</b>	means a snowfall over 50 cm (20 inches) of continuous accumulation.

**Snow Control: Roads**

1. The Operations Manager and/or their designate(s) will direct the commencement of Snow Plowing after a Snow Event, when staff are scheduled to work during Winter Operational Hours.
2. The Operations Manager and/or their designate(s) will monitor the weather forecast during Day, and Night shift. Any change to the forecast that occurs outside of



regularly scheduled shifts, and has the potential to impact the commencement of Snow Plowing, will be re-evaluated.

3. Snow Plowing priorities are identified as high priority (Priority 1 Roads), secondary priority (Priority 2 Roads), tertiary priority (Priority 3 Roads). See Appendix A for defined priority routes. Exceptions will be made where an emergency request is received by police, fire, or ambulance.
4. Snow Plowing shall be done in a manner to achieve two driving lanes width:
  - a. Bare Surface conditions on Priority 1, and 2 Roads;
  - b. Compacted Snow Surface on Priority 3.

During most winters, parked vehicles can constrain the road surface resulting in areas where only one driving lane can be achieved.

5. Staff will initially plow Priority 1 Roads and maintain Priority 1 roads to a Bare Surface condition until the termination of a Snow Event.
6. Priority 2 roads will be plowed to a Bare Surface condition once Priority 1 Roads can be maintained to a Bare Surface condition.
7. Priority 3 Roads will be plowed to a Compacted Snow Surface once Priority 1, and 2 Roads can be maintained to a Bare Surface condition.
8. Windrows will be cleared from the end of driveways when accumulations are approximately Thirty (30) centimeters or more in height. One driveway per property will be cleared to a maximum width of six (6) meters
9. In the event that available resources are not adequate to meet the Snow Plowing demand, unsafe, or impassable roads may be temporarily closed by the Operations Manager or their designate(s) until the City of Revelstoke has the resources available to plow the roads.
10. Roads that have been temporarily closed by the Operations Manager or their designate(s) will be posted on the City of Revelstoke website ([www.Revelstoke.ca](http://www.Revelstoke.ca)) during regular operational hours.
11. Overtime shifts shall commence when accumulations of ten centimeters (10cm) or more have accumulated on average, and snow continues to fall.
12. A snowfall over 50 cm (20 inches) of continuous accumulation is considered an extraordinary snowfall. Where this circumstance occurs, the Operations Manager or their designate(s) may engage additional contracted snow removal services to assist with snow control and/or removal, if available, and subject to budget considerations.



## Snow Removal

1. Snow Removal shall be undertaken only in situations where lack of adequate storage prohibits the reasonable movement of vehicular and/or pedestrian traffic, due to the presence of a windrow or stockpile of snow.
2. Snow Removal priorities are based on the priority routes set out in Schedule A and the Down Town Core. If Snow Removal is required, the snow would be removed first from Priority 1 Roads and the Down Town Core, and any additional removal would follow the hierarchy of roads that is set out in Schedule A.

## Ice Control/Sanding: Roads

1. The same priority routes identified in Schedule A for Snow Removal will also be utilized to establish the priority for Ice Control and Sanding. Ice Control and Sanding may occur in conjunction with other Snow Control activity or may be done independently.
2. Ice Control and Sanding will be initiated by the Operations Manager or their designate(s), during winter operational hours, when the temperature and ambient conditions are conducive to the formation of ice on roads. This may include sanding or brine applications.
3. The Operations Manager and/or their designate(s) will monitor the weather forecast during Day, and Night shift. Any change to the forecast that occurs outside of regularly scheduled shifts and has the potential to impact the commencement of Ice control and Sanding, will be re-evaluated by the staff member on call.
4. When the temperature and ambient conditions are conducive to the formation of ice on roads, Sanding will be undertaken to promote traction. Sanding will only take place on the following:
  - a. hills
  - b. curves
  - c. school zones
  - d. bus stops
  - e. 30 meters before street signalized intersections; and,
  - f. 30 meters before stop signs.
5. Members of the public and staff be encouraged to report any observed icy conditions for Priority 1 and 2 Roads located in the City of Revelstoke to the Operations Manager and/or their designate(s). Reports of observed icy conditions will be reviewed during regular operational hours. The Operations Manager and/or their designate(s) will investigate the reported icy conditions. If the surface is found to be slippery, Sanding will be undertaken to promote traction in accordance with this policy.



**Snow/Ice Control: Sidewalks/ Multi-use Pathway (MUPs)**

1. The City of Revelstoke will be responsible for Snow Plowing, and Ice Control on sidewalks/MUPs on a priority basis in accordance with the route set out in Schedule B. (Current Practice)
2. Snow Plowing and Ice Control on sidewalks/MUPs will occur after a Snow Event, and will be conducted along with the Snow Plowing, and Ice Control on roadways, subject to the availability of staffing.
3. The City of Revelstoke will prioritize snow and ice control on the roadways over snow and ice control on sidewalks/MUPs if suitable staffing resources are not available to address both priorities.
4. Ice Control, and Sanding will be initiated by the Operations Manager or their designate(s), during regular operational shifts, when the temperature and ambient conditions are conducive to the formation of ice on sidewalks/MUPs.
5. The Operations Manager and/or their designate(s) will monitor the weather forecast during Day, and Night shift. Any change to the forecast that occurs outside of regularly scheduled shifts and has the potential to impact the commencement of Sanding, and Ice control, will be re-evaluated by the staff member on call.
6. When the temperature and ambient conditions are conducive to the formation of ice on sidewalks/MUPs, Sanding will be undertaken to promote traction on the route set out in Schedule B.
7. In the event that available resources are not adequate to meet the Snow and Ice control demand, unsafe or impassable sidewalks may be temporarily closed by the Operations Manager or their designate(s) until the City of Revelstoke has the resources available to conduct Snow and Ice control on sidewalks.
8. Sidewalks that have been temporarily closed by the Operations Manager or their designate(s) will be posted on the City of Revelstoke website ([www.Revelstoke.ca](http://www.Revelstoke.ca)) during regular operational hours.



### **Record Keeping**

1. The Operations Manager and/or their designate(s) prepare and maintain written or electronic documentation noting:
  - a. daily weather forecast.
  - b. records that identify the time, equipment and the operator for Snow Plowing, Snow Removal, Ice Control, and Sanding operations.
  - c. GPS records of equipment used where available; and,
  - d. complaints made by the public and the response to each complaint.

### **Shoveling**

#### *Fire hydrants*

1. Hydrant shoveling, will occur after a Snow Event and will be conducted after the Snow Plowing and Ice Control on roadways, subject to the availability of staffing.

#### *Buildings*

2. The hand shoveling of City owned buildings is scheduled to occur on day, and night shifts only. Building hand shoveling, and sanding will not be conducted on Weekends or Statutory Holidays. If staffing resources are not sufficient to address snow and ice control on both the roadways and sidewalks, staffing resources will be prioritized to conduct snow and ice control on roadways.

### **Towing and Damages**

1. Damages to private property will be addressed on a case by case basis. The City will not be responsible for damage to structures, fences, tree's etc. that are located within the city right of way. Only property that is directly impacted by snow removal equipment will be considered for compensation.
2. Vehicles damaged in the course of snow removal activities will be the responsibility of the vehicle owner. Vehicles parked contrary to bylaw 1400 -Traffic and Highways shall be towed.



**SCHEDULE A**

**Roads**

Snow plowing, and sanding, and removal activities of City streets shall be carried out on a priority schedule to best serve the public and accommodate emergency equipment within budget guidelines.

Priority One Roads:

- Emergency routes
- Bus routes / Schools
- Downtown core (Primarily night shift)

Priority Two Roads:

- Critical Utility routes
- Major hills
- Emergency services parking lots

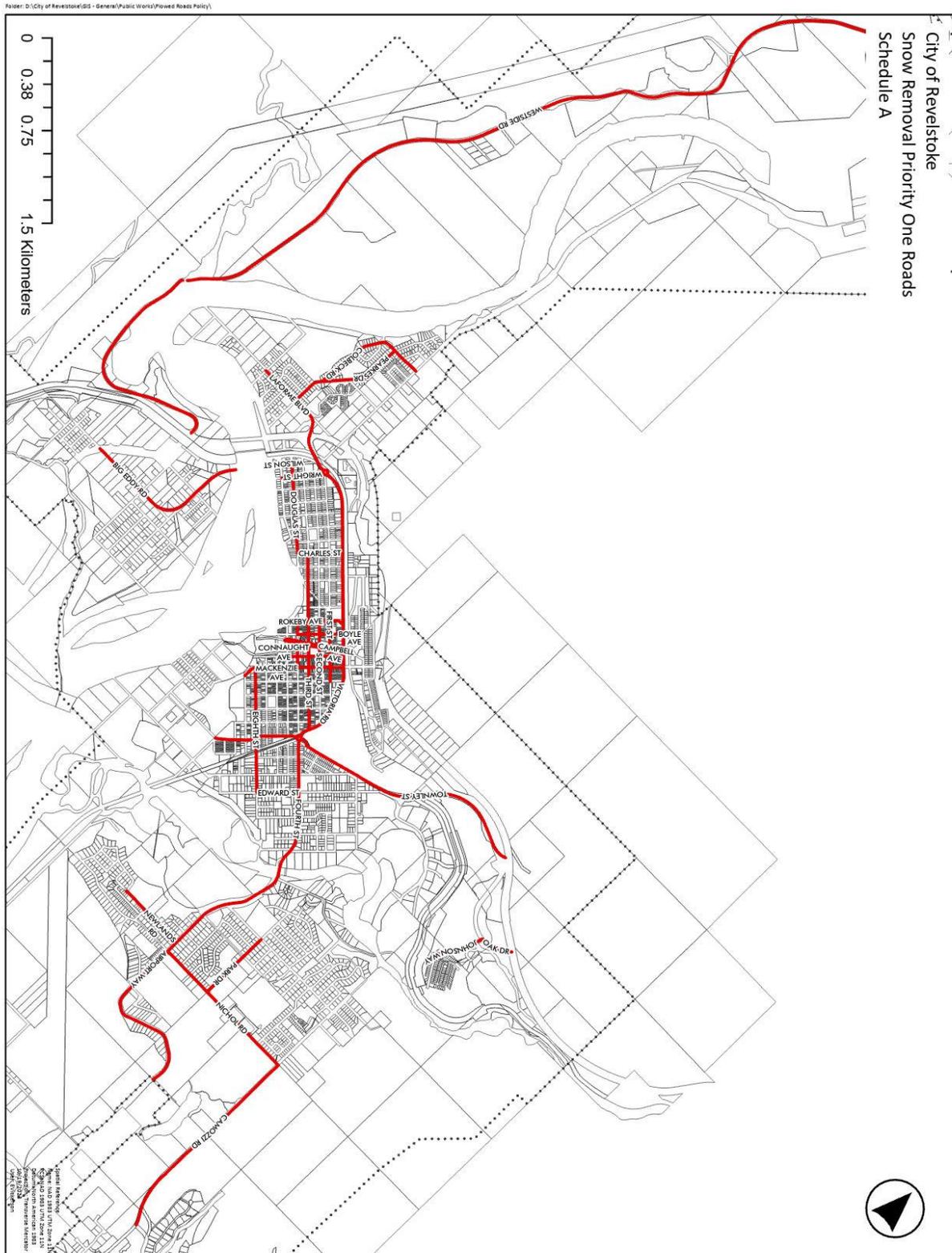
Priority Three Roads:

- Residential areas
- Cross streets
- Intersections and crosswalks
- Alleys
- Parking lots
- Bus stops

In areas where Alley way is noted as being important to the collection of garbage and recycling, the lane may be plowed with increased priority.



The attached maps illustrate the City Roadway network with priority designations.









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**SCHEDULE C**

# City of Revelstoke

## Snow and Ice Control Plan

### Winter 2023/2024



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**1.0 ENDORSEMENT FROM COUNCIL**

The City of Revelstoke Snow and Ice Control Plan was approved at the \_NOV 28/23 regular meeting of Council.

**2.0 INTRODUCTION**

The Snow and Ice Control Plan has been created as a guide to the City of Revelstoke’s Snow and Ice Control Policy. The intent of this plan is to advise the Public, Council, and City staff of when and how snow and ice will be dealt with by the Public Works Department, as well as to identify some of the constraints and issues around snow and ice control.

The City of Revelstoke maintains over 140 km of roads and 35 km of sidewalks during winter conditions. Budgetary, equipment, and manpower constraints render it impossible for all the roads in the City to be completely cleared of snow and ice in a single day. This plan identifies the priorities for snow and ice control and the order in which areas will be serviced after a snowfall.

Winter weather can be very unpredictable and the City’s ability to meet the objectives set out in this plan can be impacted by equipment breakdowns, manpower shortages, and budget limitations. This Snow and Ice Control Plan is considered a response to the best-case scenarios assuming that all the equipment is in good working order, and all personnel is available for work. The City will make every attempt to achieve the objectives set out in this plan in as short a timeframe as operationally possible.

**3.0 PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Snow and Ice Control Plan is to provide guidance to staff and the public of how the City of Revelstoke’s Snow and Ice Control Policy will be implemented. The purpose of the Snow and Ice Control Policy is to provide for the safe passage of vehicles, and pedestrians within the City of Revelstoke by ensuring that snow and ice control operations are carried out on roads, and sidewalks in a timely manner in accordance with the priorities identified by Council. This activity will be conducted within the limitations imposed by weather conditions, the natural environment, and the availability of equipment, material, personnel, and financial resources. As a result of those limitations, it is recognized that there will be occasions when pavement and other surfaces will be slippery and/or snow and ice covered. During these periods drivers and pedestrians both must recognize the conditions and utilize good judgement, care and attention to traverse the transportation system in an appropriately safe manner. Good winter conditions represent a roadway that is passible for a vehicle with proper winter tires, being driven according to the conditions (driven cautiously, defensively and at a speed that is appropriate and may be significantly less than the posted speed limit).

**4.0 LIMITATIONS**

There are many variables to snow and ice control that can affect the City’s ability to attain the objectives set out in this plan. Multi-day storms, varying storm or weather conditions, severe cold temperatures, personnel illness, or injury, equipment breakdowns, and/or other emergencies within



the City as well as budgetary constraints, can extend the time required to clear the snow, and reduce the effectiveness of the Snow and Ice Control Plan.

Due to unpredictable weather conditions, the City cannot guarantee that roads will be completely bare, nor will the City salt/sand the entire road network. Sight lines may be reduced due to the location of snow piles. Visibility may be poor as a result of heavy snow, blowing snow, or fog conditions. Due to these and other conditions, the maximum legal speed limit may not be possible at all times, and drivers are reminded to exercise caution, and drive according to road conditions. Private vehicles should be maintained in good condition and have proper winter tires installed to improve winter driving performance.

**5.0 ALLOCATION OF CITY FORCES**

The following schedule illustrates how Winter Shifts will be used to schedule existing employee resources to implement the City of Revelstoke Snow and Ice Control Policy by day of week, and hour of day, for Winter 2023/2024. The primary duty of these employees is to implement the City of Revelstoke’s Snow and Ice Control Policy.

Staff Resources by Day of Week and Hour of Day							
HOUR OF DAY	DAY OF WEEK						
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Midnight	0	17	17	17	17	0	0
1am	0	17	17	17	17	17	0
2am	0	17	17	17	17	17	0
3am	0	12	12	12	12	12	0
4am	0	6	6	6	6	6	0
5am	2	1	1	1	1	1	2
6am	2	6	6	6	6	6	2
7am	2	13	13	13	13	13	2
8am	2	13	13	13	13	13	2
9am	2	13	13	13	13	13	2
10am	2	13	13	13	13	13	2
11am	2	13	13	13	13	13	2
Noon	2	13	13	15	15	16	2
1pm	0	13	13	15	15	16	0
2pm	1	14	14	15	15	16	1
3pm	1	1	1	2	2	3	1
4pm	1	1	1	2	2	3	1
5pm	1	1	1	2	2	3	1
6pm	1	1	1	2	2	3	1



Staff Resources by Day of Week and Hour of Day							
HOUR OF DAY	DAY OF WEEK						
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7pm	6	6	6	7	7	3	1
8pm	12	12	12	11	11	3	1
9pm	18	18	18	17	17	1	1
10pm	17	17	17	17	17	1	0
11pm	17	17	17	17	17	0	0

The above schedule will be impacted by absences of staff, statutory holidays, other emergency events (such as watermain breaks, and sewage backups) and the need to ensure adequate rest for personnel. In the event of an extraordinary snowfall, attempts will be made to divert other Public Works Department employee resources, if operationally feasible, and subject to availability. The Public Works Department is not able to guarantee that additional staff resources will be available to supplement the staff resources that are outlined in the above schedule. If Winter Shifts are not being utilized, then the majority of staff will be scheduled to work Regular Operational Hours. Regular Operational Hours means Monday through Friday inclusive, 7:00 am to 3:00 pm, and does not include weekends, or statutory holidays. One staff member is “on call” for snow and ice control 24 hours throughout the winter season.

## 6.0 EQUIPMENT

The City of Revelstoke will utilize the following equipment to implement the Snow and Ice Control Policy:

- 4 Single axle Trucks equipped with front plows , belly plows, and sanding units;
- 3 Graders
- 5 Front end loaders;
- 1 Snow blower attachment for a front end loader;
- 1 Dump trucks;
- 3 Sidewalk plows with sidewalk sanders

Deployment of the above equipment will be based on available employee resources, scheduled equipment servicing and equipment breakdowns.

In addition to the equipment listed above, the City of Revelstoke may use light equipment, pickup trucks and hand tools for duties associated with snow removal.

Due to the size of snow removal equipment, operator visibility is limited, and operators must constantly focus on the operation of their own vehicles.

At times, operators may drive on the wrong side of the road in order to clear the road effectively. All vehicles must slow down or stop to allow the operators to complete the task at hand.



***ALL PRIVATE VEHICLES MUST ALLOW CITY OPERATORS AMPLE ROOM TO MANOEUVRE. NO ONE MAY PARK BEHIND, FOLLOW TOO CLOSE OR PASS ANY SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT.***

## **7.0 SNOW CONTROL: ROADS**

Schedule A of the City of Revelstoke’s Snow and Ice Control Policy indicates that snow plowing, sanding and removal activities of City streets shall be carried out on a priority schedule to best serve the public and accommodate emergency equipment within budget guidelines.

### Priority One Roads:

Emergency routes  
Bus routes / Schools  
Downtown core ( performed primarily on nightshift)

### Priority Two Roads:

Critical Utility routes  
Major hills  
Emergency services parking lots

### Priority Three Roads:

Residential areas  
Cross streets  
Intersections and crosswalks  
Alleys  
Parking lots  
Bus stops

In areas where rear lane is noted as being important to the collection of garbage and recycling, the lane may be plowed with increased priority. City lanes and alleys in residential areas are generally not plowed; we thank residents for any assistance in keeping these areas passable.

## **8.0 ICE CONTROL/SANDING: ROADS**

The City of Revelstoke’s Snow and Ice Control Policy indicates that the same priority routes identified in Schedule A for Snow Removal will also be utilized for Ice Control and Sanding. The policy also directs that sanding will only take place on the following:

- hills;
- curves;
- school zones;
- bus stops;
- 30 meters before street signalized intersections; and
- 30 meters before stop signs.

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**9.0 SNOW AND ICE CONTROL: SIDEWALKS**

Sidewalk snow plowing and sanding will be done as outlined on the sidewalk map included in the City of Revelstoke’s Snow and Ice Control Policy. When Winter Shifts are being utilized, sidewalk snow plowing and sanding is scheduled to occur on day and night shift and Saturday and Sunday mornings. If staffing resources are not sufficient to address snow and ice control on both roadways and sidewalks, resources will be prioritized to conduct snow and ice control on roadways. If outside Winter Operational Shifts, Staff will be scheduled to conduct sidewalk snow plowing and sanding during Regular Operational Hours. Regular Operational Hours means Monday through Friday inclusive, 7:00 am to 3:00 pm, and does not include weekends or statutory holidays.

In certain instances, snow may be inadvertently plowed onto sidewalks as a result of the road clearing process. It is the responsibility of home and business owners to clear snow from sidewalks or footpaths adjacent to their properties as per the City of Revelstoke’s Traffic Bylaw No. 1400 within 24 hours of the snowfall.

**10.0 Buildings**

The hand shoveling of the Buildings identified in City of Revelstoke’s Snow and Ice Control Policy is scheduled to occur on day, and night shifts only. Building hand shoveling, and sanding will not be conducted on Weekends or Statutory Holidays. If staffing resources are not sufficient to address snow and ice control on both the roadways, and sidewalks, staffing resources will be prioritized to conduct snow and ice control on roadways.

**11.0 DRIVEWAYS**

In normal road clearing circumstances, snow will be plowed to the sides of the roads and no attempt will be made to clear access to driveways. As a result of plowing, snow piles (windrows) may be created in driveways. The Windrows will be cleared as time allows by the city when windrow heights reach 30cm. One driveway per property will be cleared to a width of 6 meters.

**12.0 PRIVATE PROPERTY**

The City of Revelstoke does not conduct snow and ice control on private property, including strata developments. Exceptions can be made where an emergency request is made for police, fire or ambulance access.

Snow removed from private property must not be stored on City land or on City roads; residents are reminded that this is a very dangerous practice. Placing snow on the travelled portion of the roadway is not permitted under the City of Revelstoke’s Traffic and Highways Bylaw 1400. This regulation helps to ensure potentially dangerous situations for motorists are avoided.



### 13.0 DAMAGE RELATED TO SNOW PLOWING, SANDING OR REMOVAL

There are occasions when damage could occur to private property and public boulevards. Please advise the City in writing if you believe we have damaged your property. Please note we are unable to accept any liability for the repair of boulevard lawns as a result of damage caused by sand from winter operations.

Damages to private property will be addressed on a case by case basis. The City will not be responsible for damage to structures, fences, trees etc. that are located within the city right of way. Only private property that is directly impacted by snow removal equipment will be considered for compensation.

Vehicles damaged in the course of snow removal activities will be the responsibility of the vehicle owner.

Vehicles impeding snow removal activities or parked contrary to Bylaw 1400 Traffic and Highways shall be towed.

We ask for your cooperation in the removal of sand from boulevards in the spring. The sand can be placed on the street where it does not impede traffic. The City will be scraping, sweeping and flushing the streets in the spring and will clean sand removed from roads at that time. Please clean your boulevard before the street cleaning equipment arrives.

### 14.0 HAZARDS

#### 14.1 General Hazards

Dealing with snow is complex and is often conducted in adverse weather conditions. No two snowstorms are exactly alike, and our snow and ice control operators usually have to deal with the following:

- Decreased visibility, glare and reduced light;
- Variable temperatures affecting ice and snow conditions;
- Reduced traction;
- Stranded, stuck and frustrated motorists;
- Emergency service requests initiated by Police, Fire or Ambulance;
- Parked vehicles and objects that are hidden by snow; and
- The pressure of trying to get the job done

Residents are requested to please give our snow removal equipment the right of way – we are working to get everyone to their destinations safely. Please drive carefully and pay attention to road conditions. There are times where it makes sense to pull over and wait for a plow to pass. **PLAN YOUR ROUTE TO TAKE EMERGENCY OR BUS ROUTES AND AVOID STREETS WITH STEEP GRADES.** It can prevent a costly accident or a dangerous situation.



#### 14.2 Windrow and Stockpiled Snow Hazard Warning

Windrows and other stockpiles of snow occur as an outcome of Snow Plowing activities. These windrows and other stockpiles of snow can be hazardous for the following reasons;

- The solidity of the snow and the ability of the snow to support applied weight can vary considerably based on ambient weather conditions;
- The solidity of the snow can vary considerably depending on the degree of work hardening that has occurred due to the Snow Plowing activities;
- The solidity of the snow can vary considerably due to soft spots or pockets of air that can lead to sink holes or a collapse of the snow;
- The collapse of a windrow or other stockpile of snow could trap a person and could possibly result in suffocation or the onset of hypothermia;
- The opacity of the snow can prevent the visual detection of other hazards that may be present either in or under the accumulated snow resulting in a concealed condition;
- The surface of the snow may be slippery and could result in a loss of footing;

Therefore, ***STEPPING ONTO OR INTO A WINDROW OR OTHER STOCKPILE OF SNOW COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH*** and should be avoided. It is recommended that persons attempting to access property that is located on the other side of a windrows or other stockpile of snow either:

- Seek an alternate point of access;
- Wait until either City Snow Removal activities have occurred or the hazard has abated due to the snow melting completely.

***PLEASE EDUCATE AND WATCH CHILDREN TO MAKE SURE THEY DO NOT PLAY IN OR ON WINDROWS OR OTHER STOCKPILED SNOW.***

### 15.0 PARKING RESTRICTIONS

#### 15.1 Parking Restrictions General

In all areas of the City, it is required that you move your vehicle at least once every 24 hours to a parking area that has been plowed. This will give plows a chance to clear the area that you normally park in.

If you are travelling away from Revelstoke for more than 24 hours, please make arrangements for the care of any vehicle parked on the street. This duty of care also applies to any vehicles parked on public property.



**15.2 Parking Restrictions Downtown**

During snow removal season there will be no parking in the downtown core from 10:00pm to 8:00am daily. Signs are posted and restrictions will be enforced. Select areas of 1<sup>st</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Connaught Ave are posted 3:00am until 6:00am. Campbell Ave is posted 10:00pm to 6:00am

**15.3 Parking Restrictions Residential**

During snow removal season parking in residential areas may also be restricted and signage posted, as required, for snow clearing operations. Any vehicles impeding snow removal operations or parked longer than 24 hours will be towed.

**16.0 City Maintained Sidewalk Closures**

In rare occasions City maintained sidewalks may be temporarily closed as required after an extraordinary snow event. A listing of these temporary sidewalk closures can be found at the City of Revelstoke’s webpage [www.Revelstoke.ca](http://www.Revelstoke.ca). It is recommended that the listing of sidewalk closures be reviewed prior to venturing onto a City maintained sidewalk during or after a snow event.

**17.0 SNOW STORAGE AND HAULING**

The City’s priority is to plow the roads and make them passable for motor vehicles. As such, snow is first cleared from the traffic lanes and stored on centerlines, boulevards or in parking spaces. Once some of these storage areas have reached a certain size, the City may haul the snow to designated snow storage sites.

Consideration will not normally be given for removal of snow from a roadway unless there is insufficient space available on the side of the road to allow for two travel lanes because of stored snow. Snow hauling is very time consuming, costly and can take significantly longer than snow plowing.

The utilization of snow hauling is contingent upon manpower, equipment availability, snow dumpsite capacity, budgets and operational concerns. Limitations due to lack of available, suitable City-owned land means that a finite amount of snow can be stored.

**18.0 HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US**

The Public Works department is open Monday to Friday - 7:00 am to 3:00pm and can be contacted at 250-837-2001 or email us at [works@revelstoke.ca](mailto:works@revelstoke.ca)

General information, as well as this Snow & Ice Management Plan, is available on the City’s website at [www.Revelstoke.ca](http://www.Revelstoke.ca).

Temporary road and sidewalk closures are available on the City’s website.