

CITY OF PARKSVILLE

POLICY

SUBJECT: <i>Winter Operations Snow and Ice Control</i>	POLICY NO: 8.10 RESO. NO: 5796 CROSS REF:
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PURPOSE

To ensure municipal streets and sidewalks are maintained in a reasonably safe condition during periods of snowfall and icy conditions balanced against budgetary limitations, available personnel and equipment.

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Sanding/Salting /De-Icing

Sanding and de-icing materials will be applied to roads in amounts considered appropriate for the particular road and weather conditions that exists or is forecasted to occur. The operations department will make the decision based on the daily weather forecast and actual road condition. In addition, if called upon by the RCMP road patrol officers, specific sanding and de-icing will be applied where requested.

Road Snow Plowing

Plowing will commence when the snowfall reaches or exceeds a depth of 75mm or at a lesser depth if the snow is causing dangerous conditions. Plows will be used to clear snowfall from the roads in the following priorities:

- i. Arterial roads (Island Highway and Alberni Highway) and emergency routes;
- ii. Collector roads;
- iii. Local roads;
- iv. Cul-de-sacs;
- v. Lanes.

Sidewalk and City Facility Snow Plowing and De-Icing

Every owner and occupier of property is responsible under Traffic Bylaw No. 1436 to remove all snow or ice from all sidewalks bordering their property within 12 hours of the end of the snow fall event.

During periods of heavy snowfall the City crews will support public clearing of sidewalks on streets with high pedestrian traffic, such as arterials and roads in the downtown core. These sidewalks will be cleared during regular hours of operation.

Snow will generally be plowed from the sidewalks and other City facilities when the snowfall reaches or exceeds a depth of 100mm. The priorities for sidewalk and facility snow plowing are as follows:

- i. Fire Hall, including accesses and parking lots;
- ii. Parksville Civic and Technology Centre, including accesses and parking lots;
- iii. City owned parking lots and Parksville Community Conference Centre;
- iv. Sidewalks adjacent to City parks and City owned property;
- v. Arterial roads;
- vi. Downtown core bounded within McMillan Street, Jensen Avenue, McVickers and the Island Highway.

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