

TOWN OF CHESTERMERE

POLICY HANDBOOK

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PURPOSE AND INTENT

This policy is to provide a guideline for winter maintenance operations for the Public Works Department. Rapidly cleared roadways are important, not only for safe travel, but also to facilitate the handling of emergencies by police, ambulance and fire operations.

POLICY

A. Snow Management

1. The first objective is to clear snow from priority roadways to ensure they are kept passable.

Priority 1 Primary Roadways

- West Chestermere Drive (to Westchester Blvd)
- East Chestermere Drive (to East Chestermere Link)
- Rainbow Road South (to Rainbow Falls Drive)
- Rainbow Falls Drive (from Rainbow Rd South to Westchester Blvd)
- Westchester Blvd
- Invermere Drive
- Windermere Drive (from Invermere Drive to Marina Drive)
- West Merganser Drive
- West Lakeview Drive
- Marina Drive (from 1A to Stonemere Point)
- Paradise Road
- Entrance to the Cove
- East Lakeview Rd (from East Chestermere Drive to Irrigation canal)
- Chestermere Station Way

Note: Alberta Transportation and Utilities is responsible for snow removal and sanding on Highway 1A.

Priority 2 Secondary Roadways

- West Creek Blvd
- Springmere Drive
- Cove Drive
- Cove Road
- Lakeside Greens Drive
- Lakeside Greens Gate entrance
- West Creek Drive
- West Lakeview Passage
- Marina Road
- Marina Drive (North of Stonemere Point)
- Windermere Drive (West of Invermere Drive)
- RR 284, RR 283 , RR 282, RR 281, TWPR 243, TWPR 240, TWPR 241A
- Kinniburgh Blvd
- East Merganser (from East Chestermere Drive to RR 281)
- Lake Ere Estates

2. Once the Public Works Department has cleared snow from all the local streets, the residents will be responsible for clearing their driveway entrances and sidewalks.
3. The Town of Chestermere is not responsible for the snow that is left behind from the plow in resident's driveways.
4. Snow maintenance on streets that have not been designated as first or second priority roadways will take place only if the road becomes impassible and will only occur after all other objectives have been met.

NOTE: As per the Unsightly and Dangerous Property By-Law 2002-206/1 Section 3.24 any ice or snow that has been removed from private property cannot be placed on the roadway or boulevard of a street.

B. Ice Control

1. Sanding route priorities are the same as plowing priorities.
2. Major intersections, hills and curves will be given a higher priority.

3. The sand/salt mixture will be made up of a 5% by salt volume, and the sand shall be crushed gravel with maximum stone size of 8mm.
4. Due to extreme weather conditions in the Chestermere area with Chinooks and/or freezing rains, straight salt may have to be used from time to time.
5. The weather plays a big role in determining sanding operations. A large amount or continuous snowfall may delay the sanding operations until the snowplows have cleared the snow and sand can be put down without it being plowed off.

C. Bike paths and sidewalks

1. Every attempt will be made by the Town crews to conduct bike path and sidewalk snow maintenance. The town will not clear snow from business parking lots, residential sidewalks or pathways that serve as sidewalks in residential areas.
2. Paths will have snow management but will not be sanded or salted as it is not economical or environmentally friendly for the Town to sand paths.
3. Town sidewalk snow management will not be done until priority and secondary roadways have been cleared.

Note:

Some streets, pathways and sidewalks may still be the responsibility of the developer. The Town is not responsible for any area that has not been issued a (FAC) Final Acceptance Certificate by the Town.

This Policy is to be reviewed annually.

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Mayor

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