

HELPFUL RESOURCES

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Snow What to do?

A GUIDE TO THE CITY OF SASKATOON SNOW & ICE PROGRAM



What the City will do...

Winter is a fact of life in Saskatoon and after a heavy snowfall, getting around can be a problem. The City has crews ready to work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to keep Saskatoon roads safe this winter.

Street Plowing

- Our regular crews will be bolstered with additional staff and outside contractors during and following snowstorms so major streets can be cleared more quickly. Streets will be plowed based on the Priority System.

- **Priority 1:** Highest traffic streets – will be plowed within 12 hours after a snowstorm ends.

- **Priority 2:** Rapid transit bus routes/busy streets – will be plowed within 36 hours.

- **Priority 3:** Main streets/ schools – will be plowed within 72 hours.

- If excessive snowfall and/or blowing winds occur within the 72 hour timeframe, our crews may be required to return to Priority 1 streets causing plowing to take longer.

Residential Streets Snow Removal

- In developing neighbourhoods, residential streets prone to being covered with wind-blown snow will be made passable.

- Residential streets will be plowed if deep ruts (at least 6 inches) become a problem.

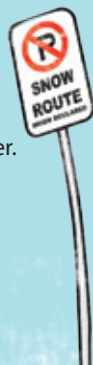
- During residential plowing, crews push snow into ridges, called windrows, along the curbs. In the winter, we need to share the roads for snow storage, traffic and parking.

- Snow Removal is the loading of snow windrows into trucks and hauling it to disposal sites.

- We remove snow mainly from areas where snow storage is an issue, like Priority 1 streets, the downtown sector, school zones and bus routes.

- Snow Removal commences once our snow plowing responsibilities are complete.

- Residential streets are considered for snow plowing only, not snow removal.



What you can do...

Winter conditions are different...start by adjusting your driving habits and allowing yourself more time to get to your destination.

The Snow Route

- If a significant snowstorm occurs, a temporary parking ban along the Snow Route may be declared to help us plow major streets more quickly. Streets on the Snow Route are identified by **No Parking – Snow Route** signs.

- If a Parking Ban is declared, you have 8 hours to remove your parked vehicle. The ban will remain in effect for 72 hours after the 8 hour notice is given. If your vehicle is not moved within that time, it will be ticketed and towed.

- You are responsible for knowing if a Snow Route Parking Ban is in effect. Vehicles may park on the Snow Route after the street has been plowed. Please use the resources provided on the back of this brochure to check when a Snow Route may be in effect.

Clear Your Sidewalks

- To help improve public safety and mobility, a bylaw requires that residential sidewalks be clear of snow and ice within 48 hours after a snowfall, and sidewalks in certain commercial areas be cleared within 24 hours after a snowfall.

- If the City receives a report about a sidewalk, the address will be checked and if necessary the owner/occupant will be asked to clear the sidewalk. If the City has to clear the sidewalk, the cost will be charged to the owner's property tax.

- Cleared snow should be placed on your own property. Throwing or shovelling snow onto the roadway makes driving unsafe, and is in violation of City bylaws.



Be a Snow Angel

- If your neighbour is elderly or has health or mobility restrictions, be a Snow Angel and clear their sidewalk after a snowfall.

- If you receive help from a neighbour, nominate them as a "Snow Angel". Send your story, along with the name and address of your Snow Angel to the Public Works Branch (see delivery options on the back of this brochure). Once nominated, we'll send your Snow Angel a thank you and enter them in a prize draw.

- **Need help?** If you're unable to clear your sidewalks, consider asking family members, neighbours, or even the person who cuts your grass.

- **Want to help?** Post your name and number at the local grocery store, schools, church or community centre.