

Winter Road Maintenance

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Related Policy Name: Winter Road Mainten	ance

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The Winter Road Maintenance Procedure is necessary to make a clear statement of the intent of the Town for winter maintenance operations by clearly showing the locations of the priorities set out in the Winter Road Maintenance Policy.

2.0 OPERATING GUIDELINES

2.1 The Snow and Sanding priorities are based upon the following criteria: traffic speed, and traffic/pedestrian volumes. These priorities are reviewed, updated annually, and shown on the Town's website under the Engineering & Public Works department Snow Removal page; the Snow Removal Priority Map, the Pathways, Walkways & Sidewalks Priority Snow Removal Map, and the Sanding Priority Map.

2.2 General:

- 2.2.1 Sand and Salt: Approximately 650-750 tonnes of sand (mixed 7-8% salt) are used for winter sanding operations annually. Salt acts as a de-icer when temperatures are above -7°, and the sand provides traction to aid motorists.
- 2.2.2 Snow Boxes/Boards: All Town and contracted trucks used to haul snow for the Town must be equipped with an approved snow box and extended snow boards to increase snow hauling capacity, and safe loading from the Snow Blower.
- 2.2.3 Snow Dump Sites: The Town maintains snow dump sites for use by Town forces in snow clearing operations. The Town designates one snow dump site for use by private contractors.



- 2.2.4 Private Contractors: Private equipment is available from various contractors in the Taber area, in order to complete snow removal operations, additional equipment and contractors may be hired at the Director of Public Works discretion to supplement Town staff and equipment.
 - 2.2.4.1 Funds required to outsource these services are allocated in the Annual Operating Budget.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Feb. 27/24 DATE

