

Sidewalks, Curb and Gutter Management

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Related Policy Name: Sidewalks, Curb a	nd Gutter Management		

Procedure

1) Priorities

All sidewalks with the Town shall be classified into 3 major categories based on type and volume of pedestrian traffic.

<u>Category A – Commercial, School, Hospital, Senior Citizens Complexes, & Public</u> Facilities

This section would include a high pedestrian traffic volume which can be found in the downtown area. While pedestrians more affected by "walking surfaces" would be found adjacent to old age homes, hospitals, churches, etc.

<u>Category B – Pedestrian Collection Areas & Year Round Pedestrian Corridors</u>
This section would include sidewalks which provide pedestrians with access to
Town businesses and facilities from residential areas and are maintained for year
round use.

<u>Category C – Residential, Light Commercial & Industrial</u>
This section would include all residential sidewalks, light commercial and industrial area sidewalks, with low pedestrian traffic volumes.

2) Inspections and Service Levels

 Sidewalks designated in Category A shall be scheduled to be inspected on an annual basis. Frequency of inspection shall be based on the Town's available resources.



- Sidewalks designated in Category B shall be scheduled to be inspected every 2 years. Frequency of inspection shall be based on the Town's available resources.
- c. Sidewalks designated in Category C shall be scheduled to be inspected every 5 years on a rotating basis with an area of the Town to be inspected each year. Frequency of inspection shall be based on the Town's available resources.
- d. All inspections will assess the conditions of the sidewalk and curbs as outline in Section C of this policy. The results of the inspection shall be recorded on the Concrete Field Survey form attached as Schedule "A" and reviewed to determine priority rating and repair action.
- e. All defects and hazards shall be classified on a three (3) point rating system:
 - i. Minor New / no effect on service (no Action required)
 - ii. Moderate serviceable- requiring attention in the near future
 - iii. Major requiring immediate seasonal repair
- f. The Town does rely on the general public to assist in identifying hazards and defects.

3) Parameters

Parameter	Criteria	Action		
Vertical Separations	More than 6mm (1/4")	Review for repair		
(Heaving)	More than 12mm (1/2")	Review for Replacement		
	Less than 6mm (1/4")	Not considered for maintenance		
Crack Width	Less than 12mm (1/2")	Considered for repair or replacement		
	More than 12mm (1/2")	Assessed and considered for replacement		
	Spalling less than 50%	Not normally replaced		
Spalled Concrete	of the sidewalk surface			
	Spalling exceeds 50% of	Concrete will be considered for repair or replacement		
	the sidewalk surface			
Multi-Directional	Site specific	Repair or replacement might occur if there is vertical separation or		
Cracking		increased possibility of the concrete moving		
Back sloped concrete	More than 6mm (1/4")	Reviewed for repair		
	More than 12mm (1/2")	Reviewed for repair or replacement		
Gutter ponding	Depth of water is more	Reviewed for repair or replacement (Category 'A')		
	than 25mm (1")			
	Depth of water is more	Reviewed for repair or replacement in all other areas of the Town		
	than 75mm (3")			
	Subjective:			
	> Operational			
Logical Limits	> Capitalized			
	➤ Objectivity			
	➤ Life Span			
	> Area			
	➤ High Water Table			



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DATE



Concrete Field Survey Schedule "A"

	Schedule A
Date:	Category A:
Street:	Category B:
Inspector:	Category C:

Concrete Evaluation								
Parameters	Satisfactory	Minor	Moderate	Major	Comments			
Vertical Separation								
Crack Width								
Spalled								
Multi- Directional Crack								
Back sloped								
Gutter Ponding								
Logical Limits								
Other Comments:								

