

<u>Town of Grand Falls –Windsor Snow Clearing Policy</u> <u>Department of Public Works & Development</u>

- The Town is responsible for the removal of snow and providing ice control on Town streets as well as road to the Water Treatment Plant.
- The Town is divided into ten (10) snow clearing routes (Appendix "A").
 (Only major roads and school areas will be plowed during a storm/snowfall. See Appendix B Snow Storm Routes)

They include:

- Bayley Street
- Beaumont Avenue
- Birch Street
- Brown Avenue
- Caribou Road
- Cartwright Street
- Church Road
- Circular Road
- Columbus Drive
- Crawley Avenue
- Cromer Avenue
- Duggan Street
- Earle Street
- Finn Avenue
- Goodyear Avenue
- Grenfell Heights
- Hardy Avenue
- Harmsworth Drive
- Harris Avenue
- Hedges Street
- High Street
- Jones Street
- Lind Avenue
- Main Street
- Judge's Terrace
- King Street
- Lincoln Road

- Main Street West
- Memorial Avenue
- McHugh Street
- Mill Road
- Monchy Road
- O'Neil Avenue
- Park Street
- Peddle Drive
- Pinsent Drive
- Pondview Drive
- Price's Avenue
- Queensway
- Rothermere Street
- Ryan Street
- Scott Avenue
- Second Avenue
- Seventh Avenue
- Sutherland Drive
- St. Catherine Street
- Thirteenth Avenue
- Toulett Drive
- Union Street
- Valley Road
- Victoria Street

- Where possible, snow clearing operations will start at alternate locations within the routes.
- 3. The Town has seven (7) trucks equipped with ice control equipment. Deicing operation will commence at the discretion of the Supervisor. The Town will apply ice control materials during a snowfall. This is important and will break the bond between the snow and asphalt to prevent buildup of snow and ice.
- 4. The Town's ice control materials are a mixture of salt and sand at a 50/50 ratio. The sand quantity may increase marginally in the spring when conditions are not so severe, typically at a 75/25 ratio.
- The Town also utilizes anti-icing or pre-wetting measures as a pro-active approach. Anti-icing operations may be used before an anticipated snowfall on major roads. Salt brines are applied in liquid form allowing salt to work immediately. The Town has two (2) pieces of equipment equipped for anti-icing operations.
- 6. The Town does not have a "bare roads" policy but will attempt to maintain such conditions where possible.
- Snow clearing on all cul de sacs will be carried out by plowing snow to the left whenever possible. Snow will be removed from the center of cul de sacs as determined by the Manager of Public Works.
- 8. The Town agrees to remove snow from sidewalks in main walking areas and school zones (Appendix "C").
- 9. The Town will implement a winter shift schedule. This will provide monitoring of roads and weather conditions 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This schedule will start and end based on winter conditions.
- The Town will provide supervisory staff for workers when four (4) or more pieces of equipment are necessary to deal with road conditions. However, there is a supervisor on call 24/7 during the winter season.
- 11. The Town will attempt to have all roads open within eight (8) hours after a snowfall has ended. This will vary depending on severity of weather conditions, equipment breakdowns, etc.
- 12. The Town will not be responsible for damages to any fences that are damaged by snow pressure from being pushed or blown by Town snow clearing equipment. Any fence that is clearly marked and struck by Town Equipment will be repaired by the Town or the homeowner compensated

for damages. Fences in front of the building line (front and side for corner lots) must be clearly marked. The markings and maintenance of the markers are the responsibility of the homeowner. Homeowners will be encouraged to remove front yard fences.

- 13. The Town will not be responsible for damages to trees or shrubs on private property resulting form the weight of snow being pushed or blown by Town snow clearing equipment with the following exception:
 - In areas where extra widening is carried out, for example, fire hydrants, intersections, etc.
 - When trees / shrubs are a minimum of three (3) meters from the asphalt and are clearly staked and covered.
- 14. The Town will not be responsible for damages to lawns caused by snowplows unless lawns are clearly marked. The homeowner is responsible to mark the edge of the lawn. The homeowner is responsible for the markers and their maintenance. The Town will repair lawns in Towns open spaces damaged by snowplows.
- During any snow clearing operation, including street and sidewalk clearing or widening, the Town reserves the right to deposit snow on an adjacent property from the street or sidewalk as required. The Town will not be responsible for removal of this snow or for dead grass caused by sand, salt or frost resulting from winter operation.





