



# CASTLEGAR

## SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITY ROUTES

CALL CIVIC WORKS AT 250-365-5979 TO REPORT HAZARDS

The City of Castlegar maintains in excess of 90 kilometres of roads and 20 kilometres of sidewalks. Snow removal on Priority Routes 1 and 2 will normally be completed within 12 hours after a snow storm, depending on snowfall rates and duration. In the interest of public safety, City streets are maintained on a priority basis as follows:

### Priority 1

- Columbia Avenue and Arrow Lakes Drive from 18<sup>th</sup> Street to Zellstoff-Celgar pulp mill and Interfor sawmill
- Residential Streets/Avenues & Streets/Avenues that connect to main streets with hills and grades greater than 9%

### Priority 2

- Access to emergency service buildings
  - Hospital
  - Fire hall
  - Ambulance
  - Police
- Streets/Avenues that connect to main streets
- Access to schools
- Commercial / Industrial areas
- Downtown Core Sidewalks

### Priority 3

- All remaining residential streets
- Snow hauling from central business areas (2nd, 3rd, 4th Street & Columbia Avenue)
- Street widening
- Access to water & sewer facilities
- Hydrants

### Priority 4

- Lanes
- All remaining sidewalks
- City owned parking lots
- Bus stops / Turnouts - clear path to roadway
- Snow hauling - remainder

Businesses and Residents can contribute to efficient City snow removal and sanding operations in a number of ways.

1. **Remove all unused vehicles, boats, trailers, basketball nets, etc. from the streets by November 15<sup>th</sup> each winter season.**
2. Remove snow and ice from sidewalks fronting their properties.
3. Park vehicles off City streets / avenues while snow removal is in progress, or when snow removal signage is in place.
4. **Remove garbage carts and recycle boxes from streets & sidewalks after collection so snow removal can be done efficiently.**
5. **DO NOT** shovel, plow or blow snow from driveways onto City streets – **snow should be removed to the right side of the driveway (facing the street)**, to reduce the amount of snow deposited across driveways (windrows) during street clearing operations. City equipment travels in the direction of traffic flow.  
**VIOLATIONS WILL BE SUBJECT TO BYLAW ENFORCEMENT ACTION.**
6. The City will not clear snow deposited across private driveways.
7. Trucks and plows frequently slow down, turn and back up. **Stay well back at all times.**
8. Children should be advised not to play on snow banks adjacent to roads, and to remain well away from snow removal equipment.
9. **Do not place steel posts or rocks on boulevards as markers.**  
Those responsible for any such installations will be held liable for injury and/or equipment damage they cause.

Castlegar's Civic Works Department is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

***Snow removal related enquiries should be directed to the Civic Works Department at 250-365-5979 or [civicworks@castlegar.ca](mailto:civicworks@castlegar.ca).***