

Town of Ponoka Snow and Ice Control Update – February 6, 2024

(February 6, 2024 – Ponoka, Alberta) – Town of Ponoka snow and ice control crews are continuing to conduct sanding, salting and snow clearing operations on roadways throughout the community today, as well as on sidewalks adjacent to Town-owned properties, and on walking trails and park furniture (benches, picnic tables, etc.) in Town parks and throughout the trail system.

To report an icy intersection, back alley, or snow-covered sidewalk that may need attention, please submit an online request by visiting www.ponoka.ca. Scroll down and click on 'File an Online Service Request,' or you can also phone the Town Office at 403-783-4431 where Town staff can help fill out the online form for you.

Motorists are encouraged to slow down and drive for winter conditions. Please note that Town winter operations crews work in conjunction with the Alberta Ministry of Transportation, which is responsible for snow and ice control on Highways 2A and 53 in Ponoka.

Please Clear Snow and Ice from Sidewalks Bordering Your Property

Ponoka citizens are asked to please help keep our community safe by ensuring sidewalks that border your property are clear of snow and ice.

By keeping the sidewalks adjacent to your property clear of snow and ice, you are protecting the safety and wellbeing of your neighbours and fellow citizens in Ponoka.

Clearing sidewalks that border your property within 48 hours after the snow or ice has been deposited is a requirement under the Town of Ponoka Community Standards Bylaw #384-17 and can result in fines when necessary.

When shovelling, residents are asked to please only deposit snow and ice onto your own property – not the roadway or someone else's property. This is also a requirement under the Bylaw. Shovelling snow onto your own property is also good for your grass when the snow melts in the spring.

Snow Removal and Ice Control Policy

Town of Ponoka snow and ice control operations are conducted according to the Town's Snow Removal and Ice Control Policy to improve safety for motorists and pedestrians and to support the operation of emergency services. The Snow and Ice Control Policy can be viewed on the Town website at <u>www.ponoka.ca/p/snow-ice-control-program</u>.

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