

Shared Responsibility

Winters are safer and more manageable when everyone pitches in to clear snow and ice. While the Town does its part clearing roads and designated sidewalks, section 19 of the Traffic Bylaw requires Rocky Mountain House property owners to remove snow and ice from public sidewalks bordering their private property within 48 hours of a snowfall ending.

Rocky Mountain House can be a real Winter Wonderland! But snow, rain and our freeze/thaw weather also brings challenges.

Where can snow be cleared to?

The Traffic Bylaw states:

- You may shovel snow from a public space (e.g. sidewalk) onto another public space (e.g. road).
- You may not shovel snow from your private property (e.g. driveway) onto a public space (e.g. road).

In the spirit of being a good neighbour, please do not pile shovelled snow:

- On a road to the extent that it blocks access.
- Into a crosswalk or handicapped parking stall.
- On top of a storm drain.
- Into a neighbouring property.

Penalties for Not Removing Snow

Property owners/occupants who do not comply with the bylaw and subsequent notices issued by the Town may be subject to an invoice to the property owner from the Town for clearing the snow on their behalf. The cost includes an administration fee of \$150. The amount will be added to the owner's annual property tax if not paid by the invoice due date.



Using Traction Materials on Sidewalks

If ice cannot be completely removed from sidewalks, applying traction sand or a sand/salt mix is a great way to increase winter sidewalk safety for you and your neighbours.

The Town has sidewalk sand/salt mix available for property owners at two locations:



*Outside the Public Works Yard at
4607-48 St.*

- Sidewalk sand is located in the green bin to the left of the gate.
- Do not enter the yard - the bin is accessible 24/7.



*Outside the Rocky Regional Recreation
Centre at 5332-50 St.*

- Look for the marked bin in the overflow gravel parking lot.
- The bin is accessible 24/7.

Filing a Complaint

If you know of a bylaw infraction regarding snow and ice control and would like to report it, please call 403-846-4268. To help us respond faster, please be ready with the following information:

- Your name and address.
- A phone number.
- The address and exact location of the property for which you wish to register a complaint.
- A brief and concise description of the complaint.

This information will remain confidential. No anonymous complaints will be accepted.



Snow clearing: It's a team effort!

