



# Town of Ponoka Snow and Ice Control Update – January 17, 2024

*(January 17, 2024 – Ponoka, Alberta)* – Town of Ponoka snow and ice control crews are busy sanding and salting on Priority Routes throughout the community today. Crews are also sanding, salting and clearing snow on walking trails and park furniture (benches, picnic tables, etc.) in Town parks and throughout the trail system.

Motorists are encouraged to slow down and drive for winter conditions. 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](http://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.

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 also reminded 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 well-being 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**

For more information on the Town's snow and ice policy and to view the Town's Priority Routes Map, please visit [www.ponoka.ca/p/snow-ice-control-program](http://www.ponoka.ca/p/snow-ice-control-program). Priority 1 and 2 routes include high-volume roads such as emergency routes, school bus routes and connector routes.

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