# Village Of Cache Creek

Policy No. D-4

## Sidewalk Snow Clearing

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## **Policy Statement:**

The employees and/or contractors of the Village of Cache Creek shall be responsible for the removal of snow, ice and other debris from pedestrian sidewalks and public facility entrances, exits, stairs and walkways as provided by the direction of Council.

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this policy is to establish a winter maintenance standard for sidewalks and public facility entrances, exits, stairs and walkways in the Village of Cache Creek.

#### **Definitions**

<u>collector sidewalk</u> - any sidewalk abutting Quartz Road, Stage Road, Collins Road, Highway 1 (Trans Canada Highway) or Highway 97 (Cariboo Highway).

regular sidewalk – all sidewalks on municipal property that are not collector sidewalks

<u>other sidewalk</u> – any sidewalk not on municipal property

<u>regular working hours</u> – shall be the hours of work that are determined, from time to time, in collective bargaining with the Village's employees.

<u>Winter maintenance</u> - the removal of snow, ice or other debris that accumulates on sidewalks during the winter and includes the application of ice prevention and removal agents.

<u>Winter</u> - defined for the purposes of this policy as 6:00 a.m. October 15<sup>th</sup> through and including 6:00 a.m. April 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Procedures:**

- 1. Collector sidewalks shall be cleared of snow and ice before starting work on regular sidewalks and public facility entrances, exits, stairs and walkways.
- 2. During and immediately after any snow fall or freezing rain, the Village of Cache Creek Public Works Department shall inspect collector and regular sidewalks and public facility entrances, exits, stairs and walkways for any accumulation of ice or snow which will

represent a hazard to any pedestrians. This inspection shall be conducted as early as possible in the morning.

- 3. Should any accumulation of snow or ice be identified as a hazard to pedestrian traffic the Public Works Foreman shall utilize the personnel, equipment and materials required to remove the snow and/or ice. This includes calling out any contracted maintenance.
- 4. To avoid increasing costs to the Village, all winter maintenance of sidewalks and public facility entrances, exits, stairs and walkways shall be completed during the regular working hours of the Village of Cache Creek.
- 5. As a matter of Policy, winter maintenance of sidewalks and public facility entrances, exits, stairs and walkways is of lower priority than the clearing of roads to allow for safe vehicular traffic.
- 6. Until otherwise determined by Village of Cache Creek Council, sidewalk snow clearing shall be contracted out; however, Public Works staff shall follow up with salt as soon as possible where conditions indicate that ice buildup could result.
- 7. Until otherwise determined by Village of Cache Creek Council, snow clearing for public facility entrances, exits, stairs and walkways shall be the responsibility of either the Recreation or Public Works staff.

### Other Sidewalks

The winter maintenance of other sidewalks in the Village of Cache Creek shall be the responsibility of the property owner.