



Policy Title	Date:	Resolution No.
<b>SNOW REMOVAL POLICY</b>	<b>January 21, 2021</b>	<b>BCC-21-015</b>

**Purpose and Scope:**

The purpose of this policy is to provide safe traffic movement and driving surfaces wherever reasonably possible. This policy shall set out procedures and priorities for snow clearing and ice control for the Summer Village of Birchcliff.

**Definitions:**

A major snowfall shall be considered to have occurred when snowfall reaches an accumulated depth of 10cm or more.

**Specific Procedures:**

Snow Ploughing – Snow ploughing shall be undertaken following a major snowfall, or a snowfall which results in unsafe or drifted road conditions. When the aforementioned conditions exist, the contractor will be contacted. The contractor will start the required snow ploughing within 12 hours of being contacted by the Village Administrator or designate. Snow shall be ploughed to the sides of the streets and the contractor shall minimize windrows left in front of driveways. Arrangements may be made with the contractor which will allow him to initiate snow ploughing when conditions are such that snow ploughing must be undertaken.

Street Sanding – Streets shall be sanded when normal winter driving conditions become a hazard to public safety. When the aforementioned conditions exist, the contractor will be contacted by the Administrator or designate and the sanding will be undertaken in the following areas:

- Village Road Intersections
- Road curves
- Hills

Sand shall be placed at intersections on the incoming lanes which are signed to either yield or stop.

Arrangements may be made with the contractor which will allow him to initiate sanding when conditions are such that sanding must be undertaken.

Operators shall take care not to operate the spinner when meeting vehicles.

**General:**

The Administrator has the right to apply snow ploughing or sanding to any area of the Village if, in their opinion, a safety hazard is being created.

Snow cleared across a public right-of-way must be pushed completely off the road.

**Priorities:**

Snow clearing will first be completed along Birchcliff Road from RR 14 through to the west end of Birchcliff. Operators will then proceed to clear snow in Sunbreaker Cove. Once completing snow clearing in Sunbreaker Cove the snow removal contractor will return to Birchcliff and clear all remaining roads and closes.

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Mayor

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Administrator