

TOWN OF PINCHER CREEK

Approved by: Council	Date: December 9th, 2019	Policy Number: 309-19
Reference: Motion # 19-681	Revision Date / by	
Title: SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION SNOW REMOVAL		

Policy Statement

The Town of Pincher Creek recognizes the need to assist persons 65 years of age and over who are physically disabled and/or are on Alberta Seniors Benefit with clearing snow, ice and other winter debris from public accessible sidewalks adjacent to their property. The Town will provide based on the limited resources available sidewalk snow removal.

1. Definitions

- 1.1 Town – shall refer to the Town of Pincher Creek.
- 1.2 Contractor- shall refer to the person or company hired by the Town of Pincher Creek to provide for the snow removal services.
- 1.3 Applicant - shall mean the person occupying the residence and has applied for the sidewalk snow removal adjacent to the applicant’s property.

2. Responsibilities

2.1 Chief Administrative Officer

- 2.1.1 To determine under the direction of Town Council;
- 2.1.2 The resources to be applied to fulfill the requirements of this policy.

2.2 Applicant

- 2.2.1 Must notify the Town when an able-body person becomes available, if they have moved from their residence, or receive monetary funds for these services and the snow removal service is no longer needed.

2.3 Community Peace Officer

2.3.1 Notify Applicants of changes in program.

2.3.2 Keep records of Special Accommodation Snow Removal applications and supporting documents.

2.3.2 Provide the contractor with a current updated Special Accommodation Snow Removal list on an ongoing basis.

2.4 Contractor

2.4.1 Snow on sidewalks shall be removed within 48 hours of snowfall on the sidewalk adjacent to those property owners shown on Special Accommodation Snow Removal list.

2.4.2 Adhere to the Town of Pincher Creek Bylaws.

2.4.3 Not access private property.

3. Qualification

3.1 Applicants must be 65 years of age or older or physically disabled.

3.2 Must be a recipient of senior's financial assistance program, Alberta Seniors Benefit.

3.3 Applicant must reside in a residential property that fronts onto a municipal sidewalk.

3.4 Must reside in the property during the winter months.

3.5 Property cannot be a commercial property or apartment complex.

3.6 Not have any able-bodied persons under the age of 65 residing at the property.

4. Documentation required

4.1 Medical proof from a Canadian Regulated Health Practitioner OR a copy of the Accessible Parking Permit issued by Service Alberta.

4.2 Proof of Alberta Seniors Benefit.

5. Conditions

5.1 All Special Accommodation Snow Removal applications, as per Schedule "A" attached hereto, must be completed and accompanied with supporting documentation.

5.2 Failure to complete the application fully and/or to supply the required information may cause delays in the processing of the application.

5.3 Notice will be given by Community Peace Officer if service is to be terminated or if the application is refused.

5.4 Driveways and private walkways are not included in this program.

6. End of Policy

Application for Special Accommodation Snow Removal Schedule "A"

Town of Pincher Creek
962 St. John Avenue, PO Box 159
Pincher Creek, AB, T0K 1W0
Phone: (403)627-3156 Fax: (403)627-4784
Email: reception@pinchercreek.ca Website: www.pinchercreek.ca

<i>For the Winter Season of October 20__ to April 20__</i>
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See requirements on back of page 2. The completed application must be submitted to the Town of Pincher Creek - Town Office.

Applicant Information:

Please Print Name

Phone Number

Street Address

Declaration:

I wish to apply for the snow accommodation program, and I hereby certify that:

- I am over 65 years of age **OR** I have a physical disability **OR** medical condition
- No *able-bodied* person under the age of 65 is residing in the house
- I am residing in this property, *including winter months*.
- I agree this form and supporting documents will be reviewed by the Town of Pincher Creek.
- I understand the Town of Pincher Creek and/or the contractor is not liable for any property damage including residential driveways. Therefore, **NO** action will be taken against the above mentioned.
- I am aware snow removal may not start until 48 hours after it has stopped snowing.
- I am aware *only* the public right of way in front of the property (*sidewalk*) is cleared.
- I understand this is a FREE program that may be terminated at any time.

I understand the qualifying terms and conditions as outlined above.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

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Eligibility Requirements

Please note the hired contractors will not access private property for the purpose of snow removal under any circumstances. Only the public right of way in front of the property (sidewalk) will be addressed in this program.

To qualify, the applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Own or rent the property and **MUST** reside in the property when the application is made.
(includes residing in the property during the winter months)
2. Be 65 age or older and be permanently confined to a wheelchair, restricted to the permanent use of crutches or braces or otherwise be permanently disable.
3. Be a recipient of senior's financial assistance program, Alberta Seniors Benefit.
4. Property is not a commercial property, apartment or condominium complex.
5. Have no abled bodied person(s) under the age of 65 residing at the property.

Medical Information

The applicant must provide one of the following;

1. Medical proof from a Canadian regulated health practitioner
(Licensed Physician, Chiropractor, Physiotherapist, Occupational Therapist).
- OR**
2. A copy of the accessible parking permit issued by Service Alberta.

Non-Medical Documentation

1. Proof of Alberta Seniors Benefit

If you meet all six (6) criteria listed above, please complete the application form and submit to:

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Pincher Creek, Alberta

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